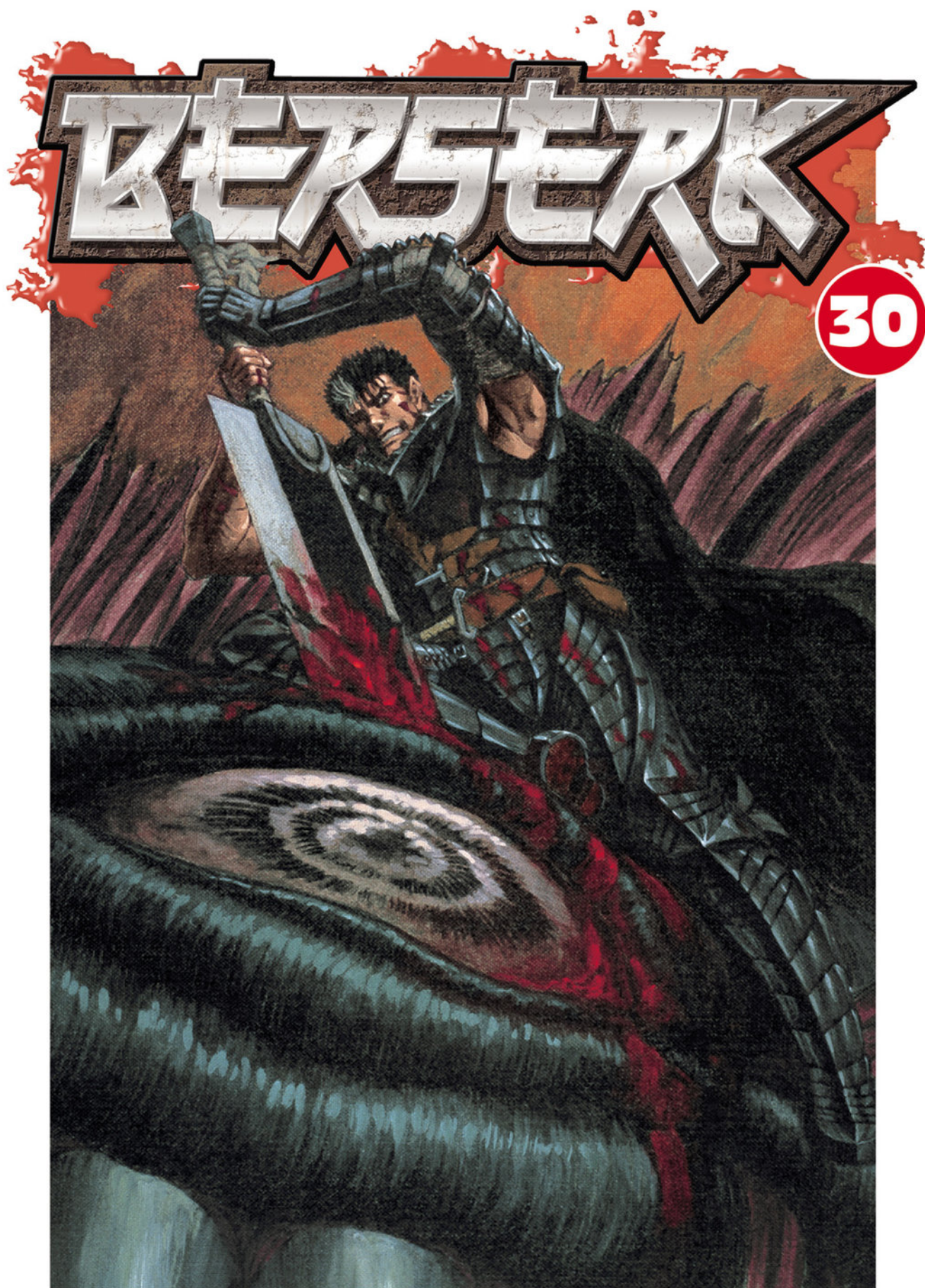
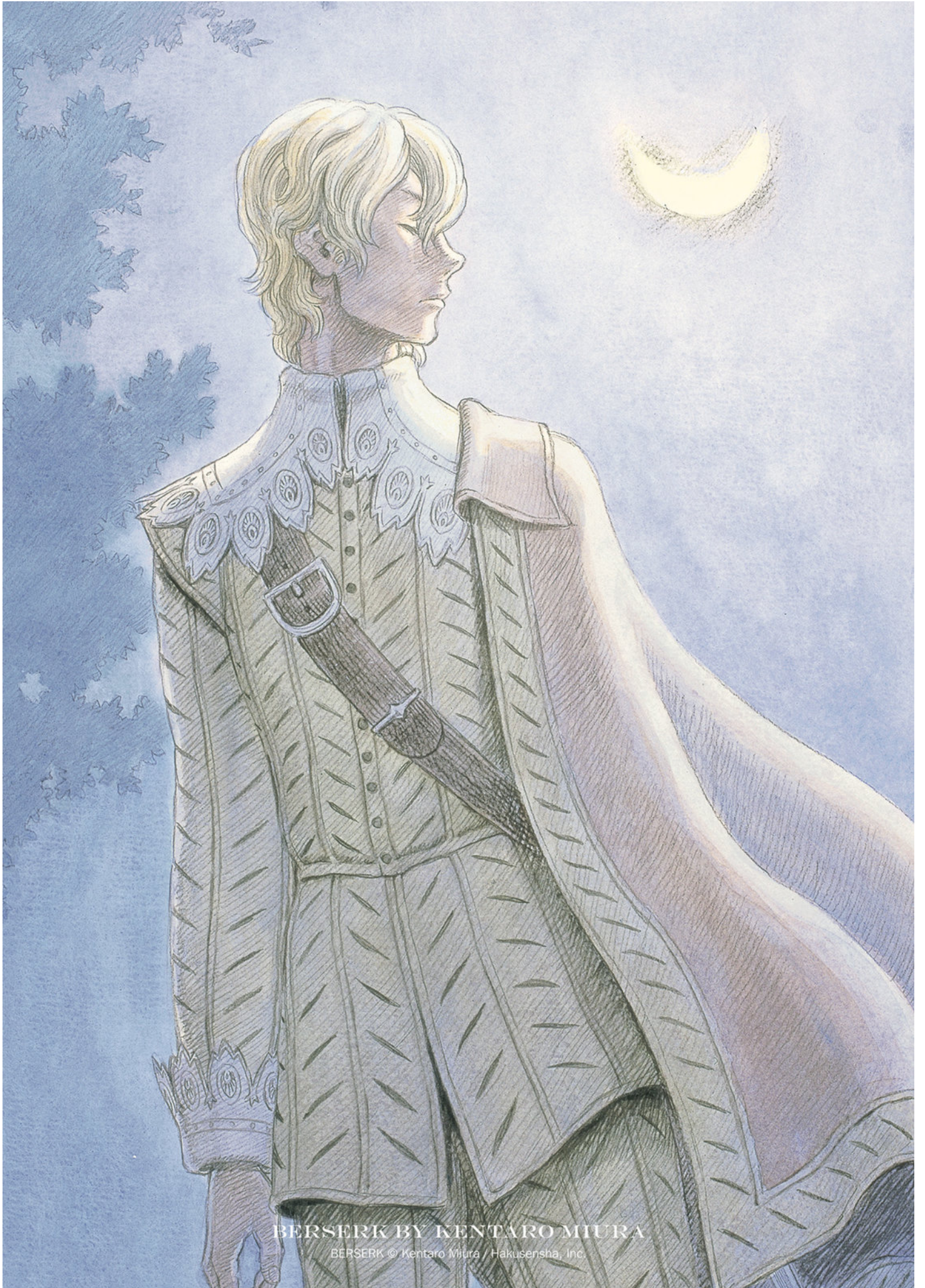




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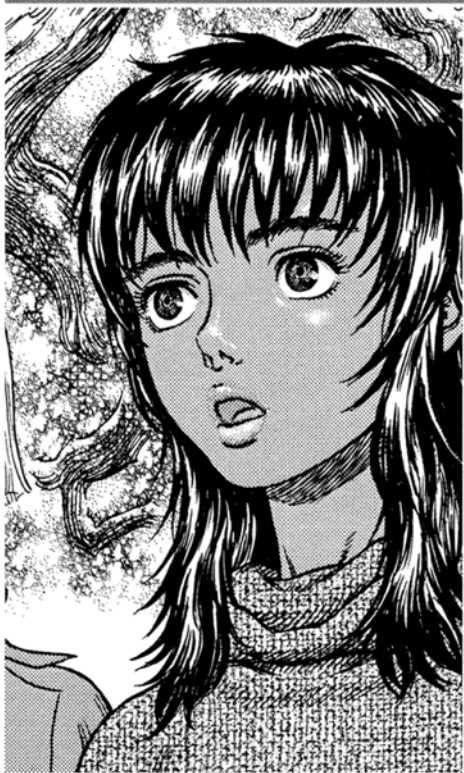
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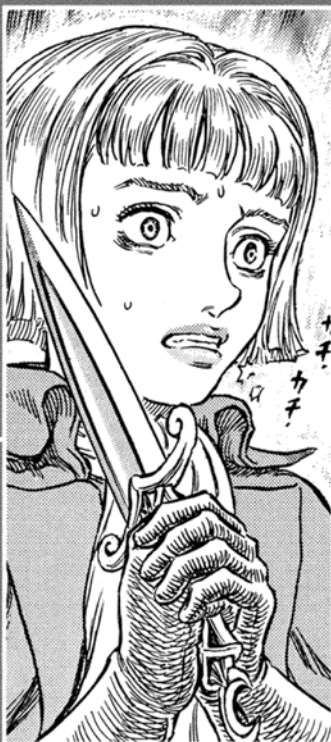


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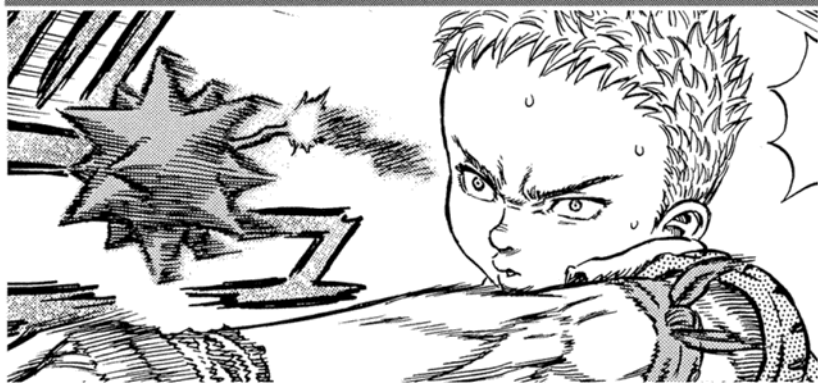
キヤスカ Casca

Former unit commander of the Band of the Hawk—mentally regressed from her experience in the Eclipse. She now neither speaks nor conveys any feelings. Her Brand, which reacts to evil, is thinly shielded by Flora's talisman.



ファルネーゼ Farnese

Former commander of the Holy See's Holy Iron Chain Knights and daughter of the Vandimion family, one of influential status and wealth in the religious sphere. She seeks to learn from Guts her own means of survival and about the reality of the world.



ガッツ Guts

The Black Swordsman. He exists in the Interstice and wears the Berserker Armor, his soul constantly torn between protecting Casca and challenging Griffith. That struggle is nothing short of sublime.

パック Puck

An elf who's long been with Guts on his journeys. His dust has the power to heal wounds. Also, he recently confirmed that he's a wind spirit, one of the four types of elementals. He also changes into "chestnut Puck."

イシドロ Isidro

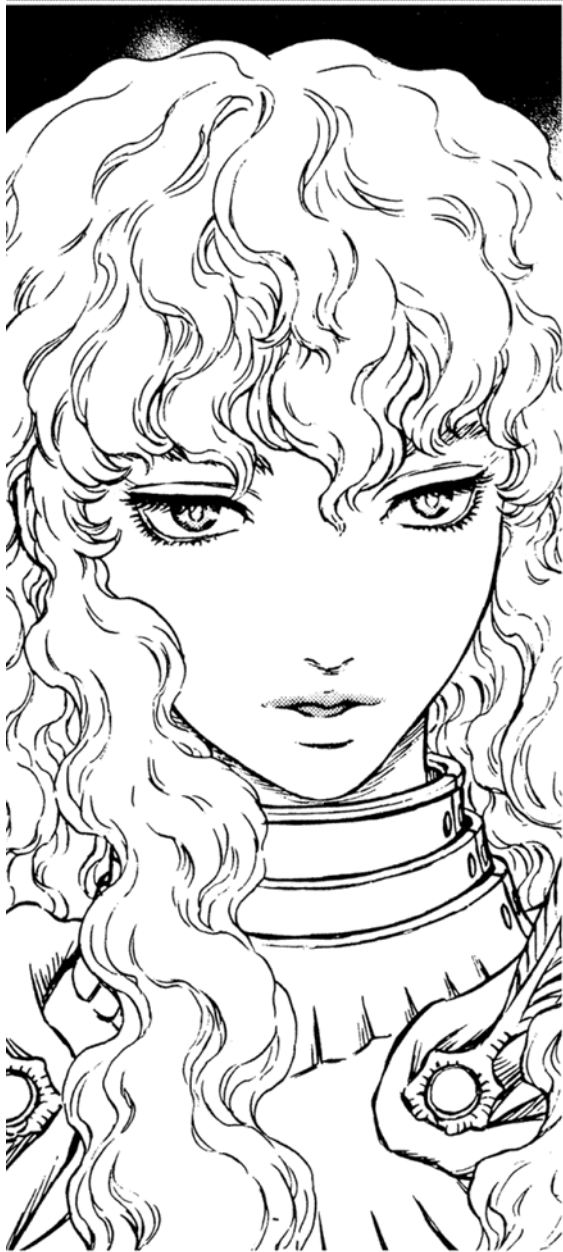
Dreams of being the "ultimate swordsman," but his actual talent, not up to snuff, repeatedly endangers him. Nevertheless, the boy endeavors toward his dream. He is currently equipped with a fetish granted the protection of fire elementals.





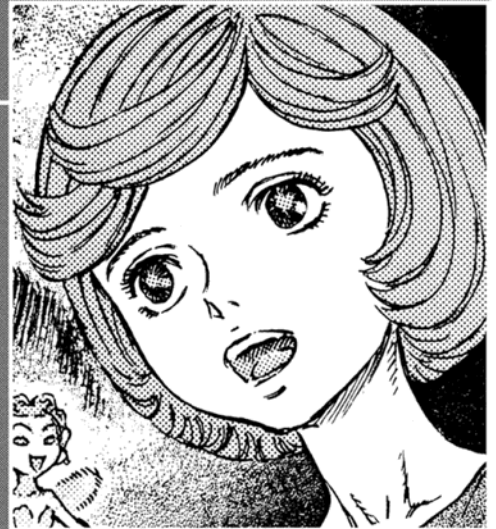
セルピコ Serpico

Attendant of Farnese, and actually her brother; however, Farnese is not aware of the blood relationship. He is skilled in fighting and is currently clad in a fetish granted the protection of wind elementals.



シールケ Schierke

Disciple of Flora, witch of the Spirit Tree mansion. Schierke supports Guts and the others through her use of magic; however, among her spells are some beyond her mastery, which occasionally place her in great peril as she tries to aid her allies. She has a stilted side to her personality.



グリフィス Griffith

Through the Eclipse of the Crimson Behelit, Griffith was reborn as Femto of the Godhand. Later he was incarnated in the imitation Eclipse catalyzed by the egg-shaped apostle, thus returning to the physical world, in which he became the "absolute," without equal. He leads the reborn Band of the Hawk.

ロデリック Roderick

A naval ship captain and third in line to the royal throne of Ith, a maritime power within the domain of the Holy See. He is a friend of Farnese's brother, and has become Farnese's fiancé.



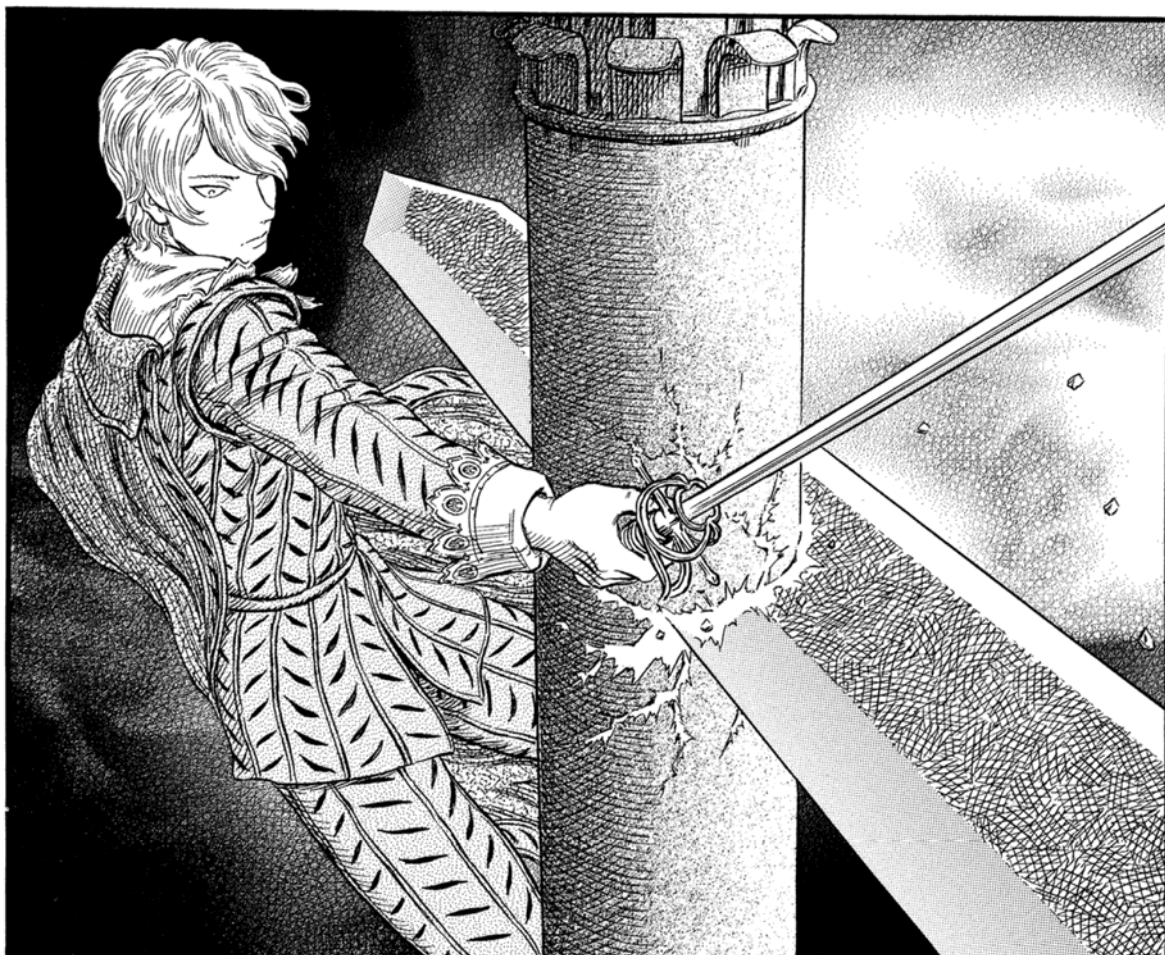
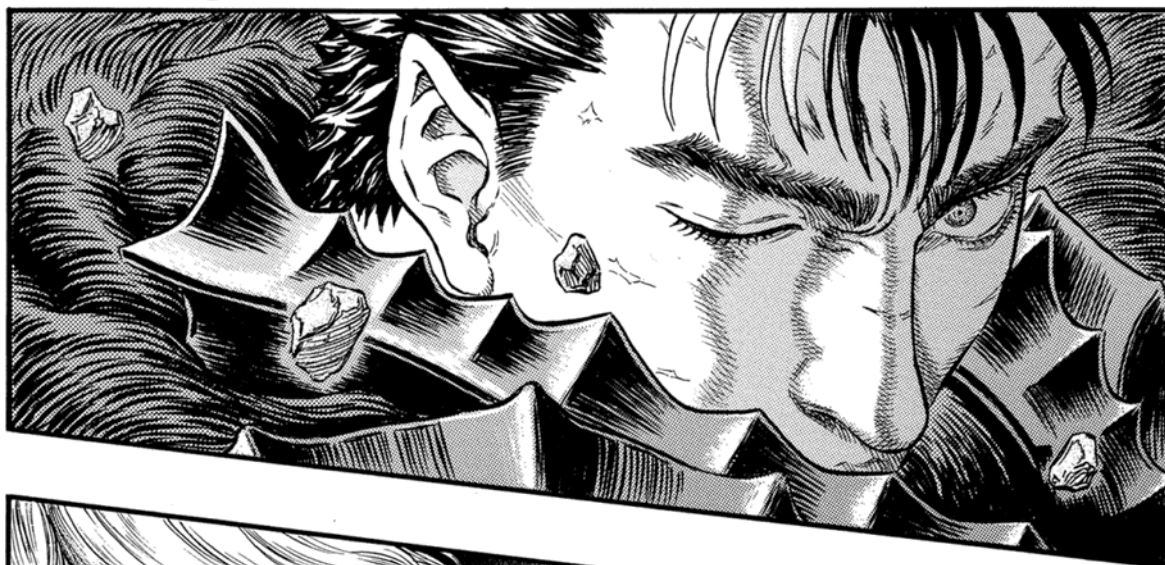


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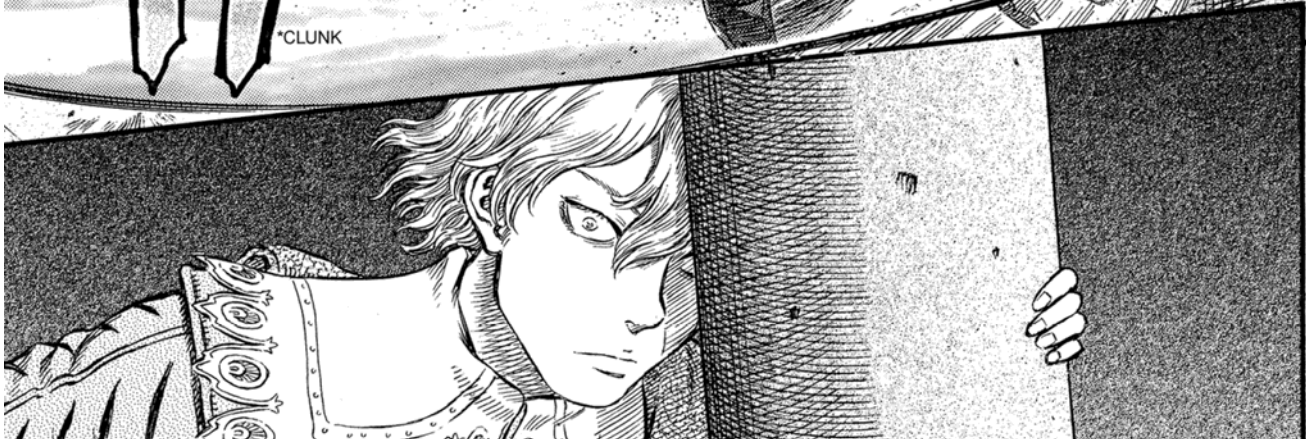
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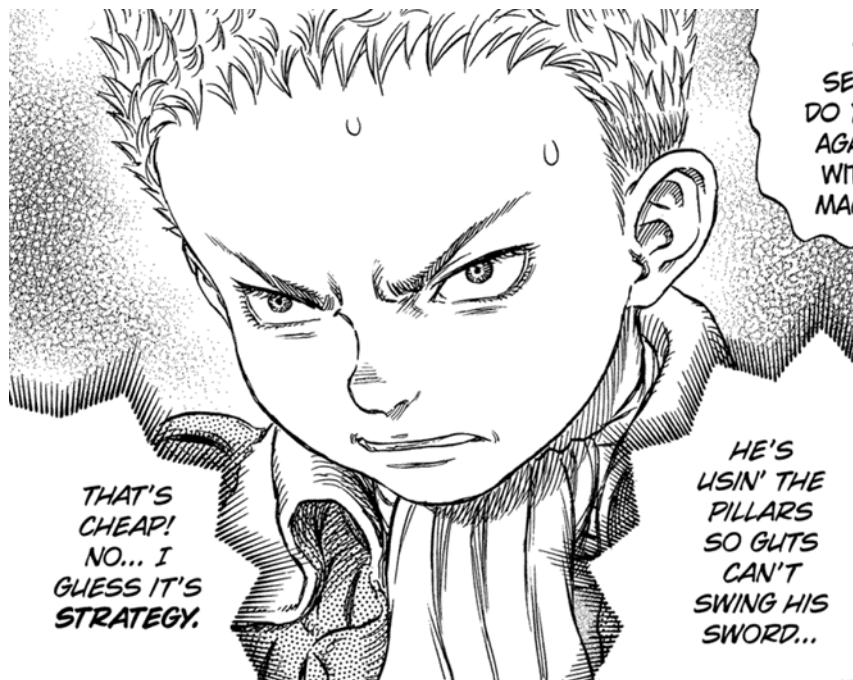
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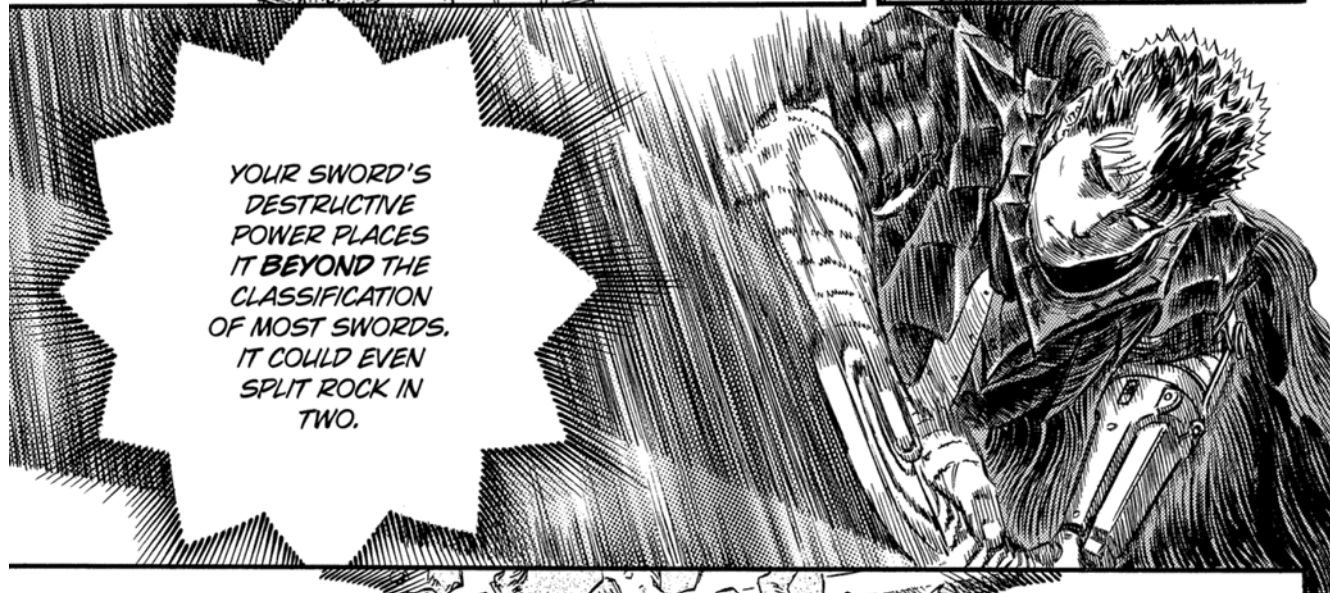




THAT'S
CHEAP!
NO... I
GUESS IT'S
STRATEGY.

HE'S
USIN' THE
PILLARS
SO GUTS
CAN'T
SWING HIS
SWORD...

D-DAMN,
SERPICO CAN
DO THAT GOOD
AGAINST GUTS
WITHOUT THE
MAGIC HOOD...



YOUR SWORD'S
DESTRUCTIVE
POWER PLACES
IT BEYOND THE
CLASSIFICATION
OF MOST SWORDS.
IT COULD EVEN
SPLIT ROCK IN
TWO.



...AND ITS
EXTRAORDINARY
POWER IS ONLY
EXHIBITED WHEN
THE TIP REACHES
SUFFICIENT SPEED.

BUT IT
IS STILL A
SWORD,
AFTER ALL...



...YOUR SWORD
IS IMPEDED BY
THE PILLARS
BEFORE IT CAN
REACH SUCH
VELOCITY.

NO MATTER
HOW YOU
WIELD IT IN
HERE...

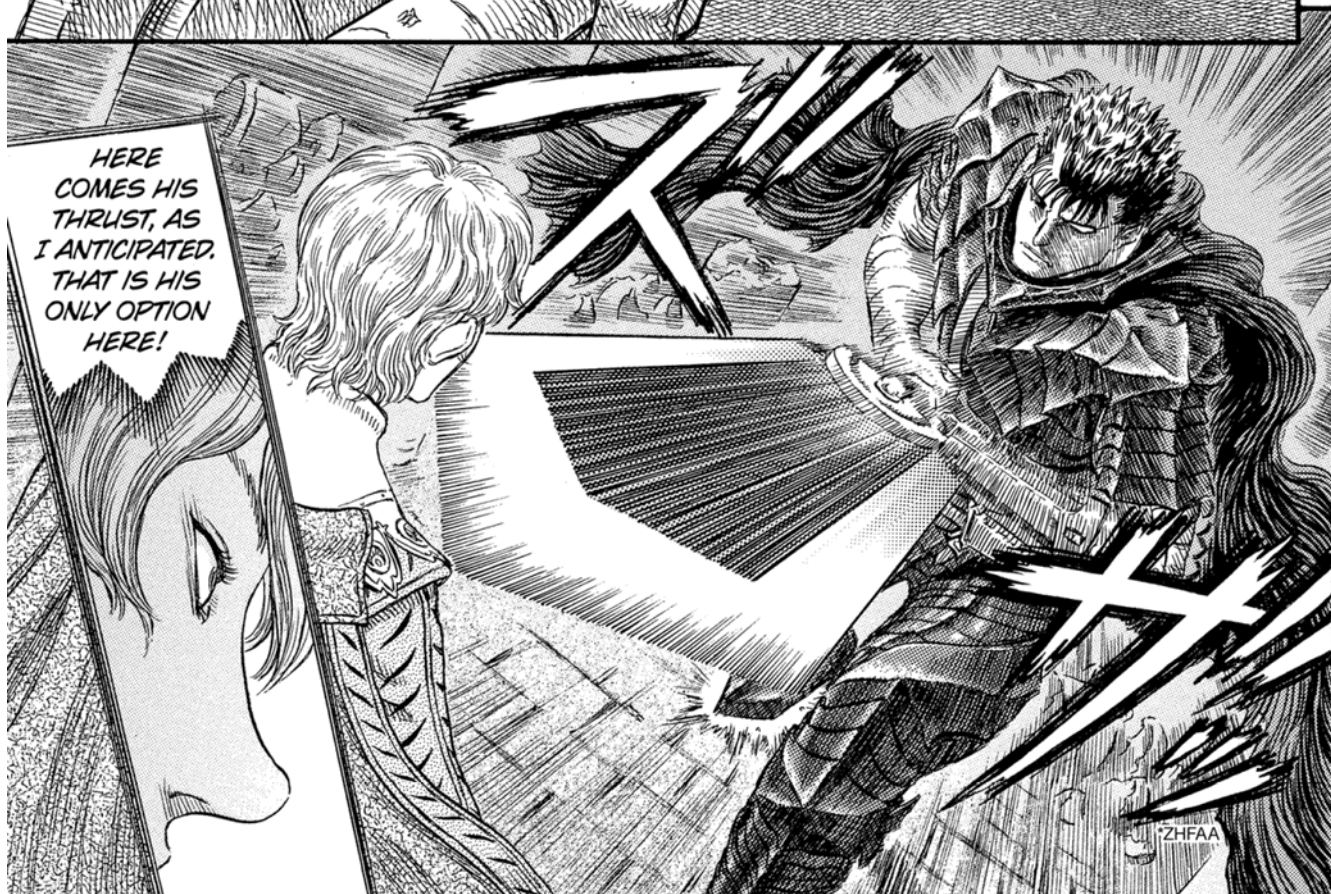




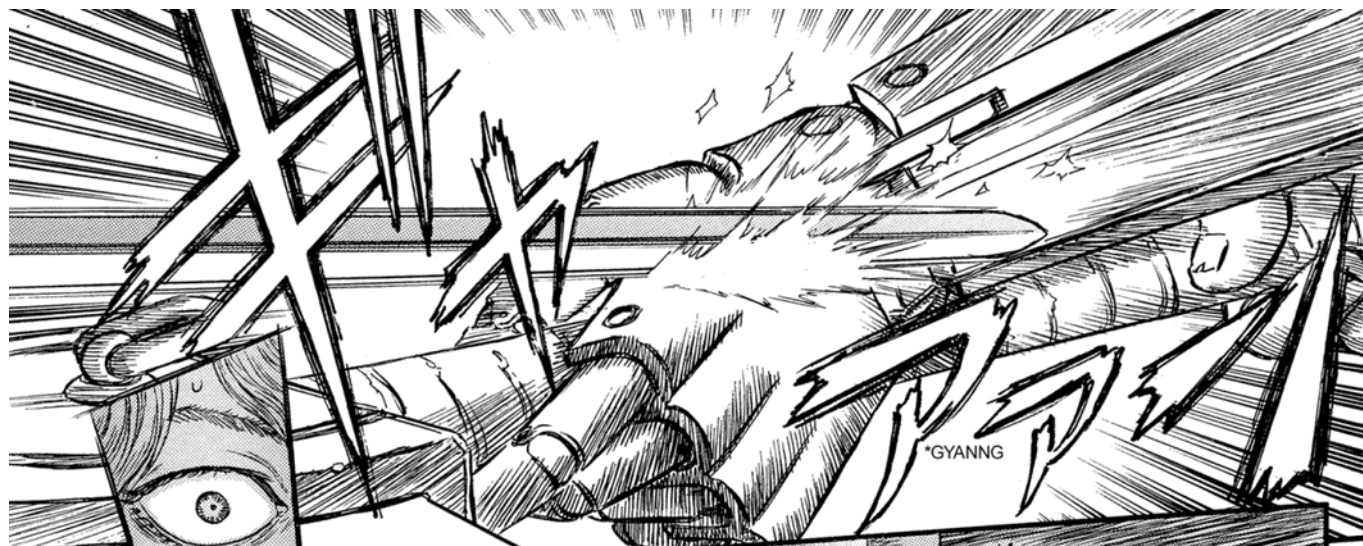
AND MY THIN SWORD CANNOT PIERCE THAT ARMOR.



I CANNOT EVADE SUCH A THREAT FOREVER.

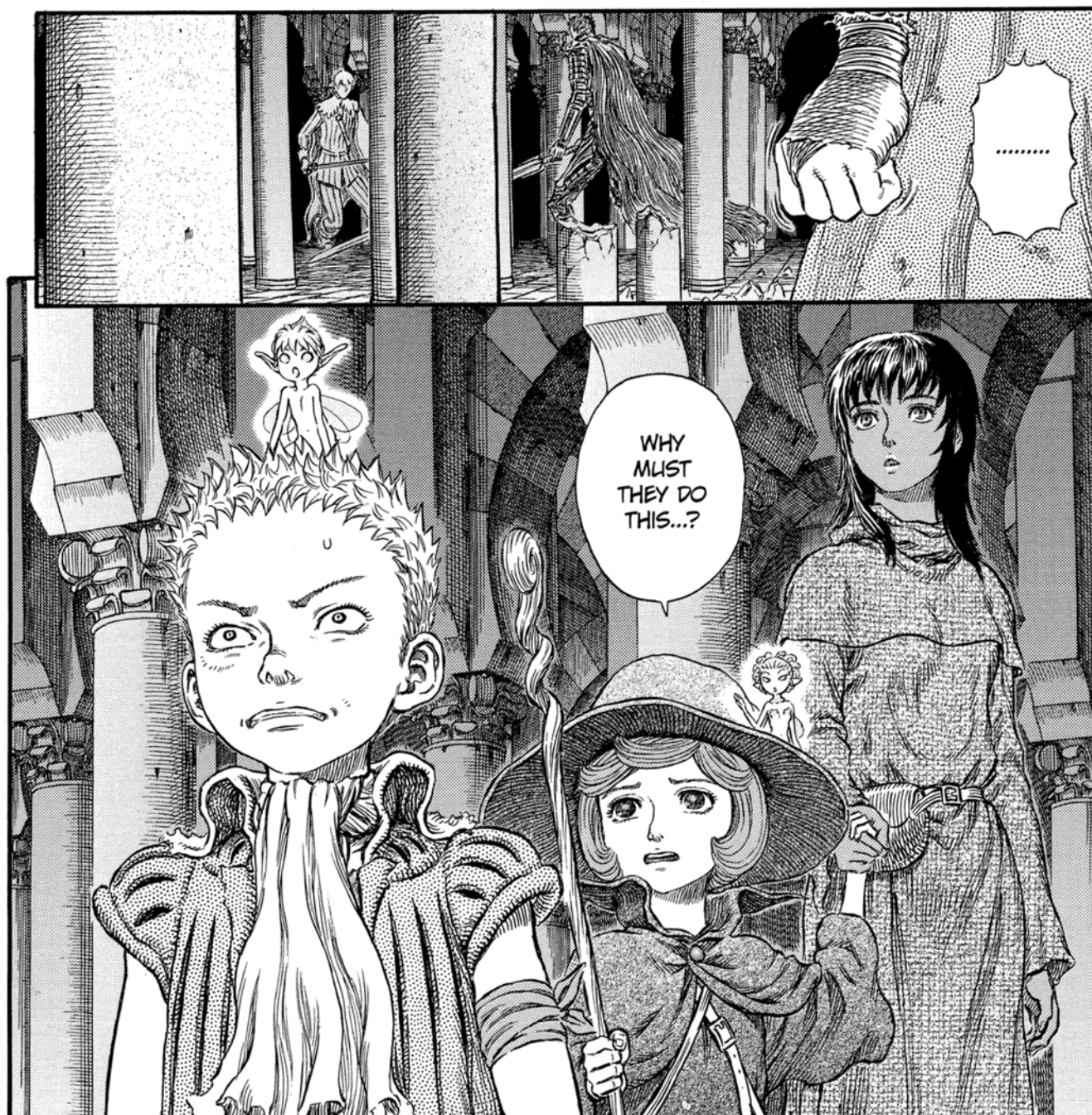








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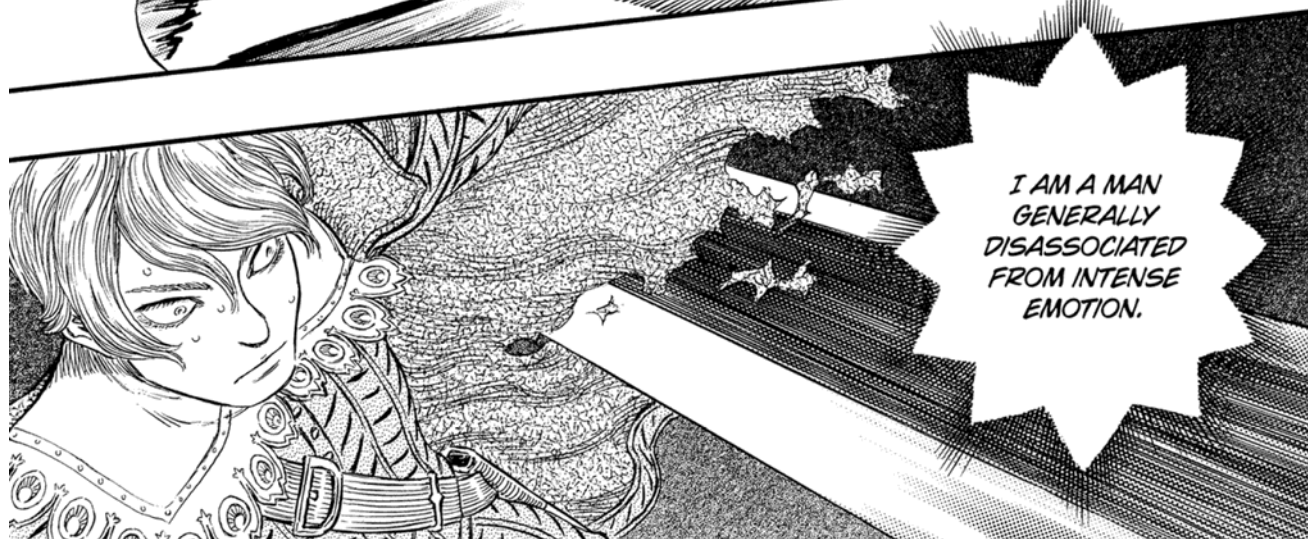


UNBELIEVABLY
SO.

HE
TRULY IS
STRONG.



*SHOOM



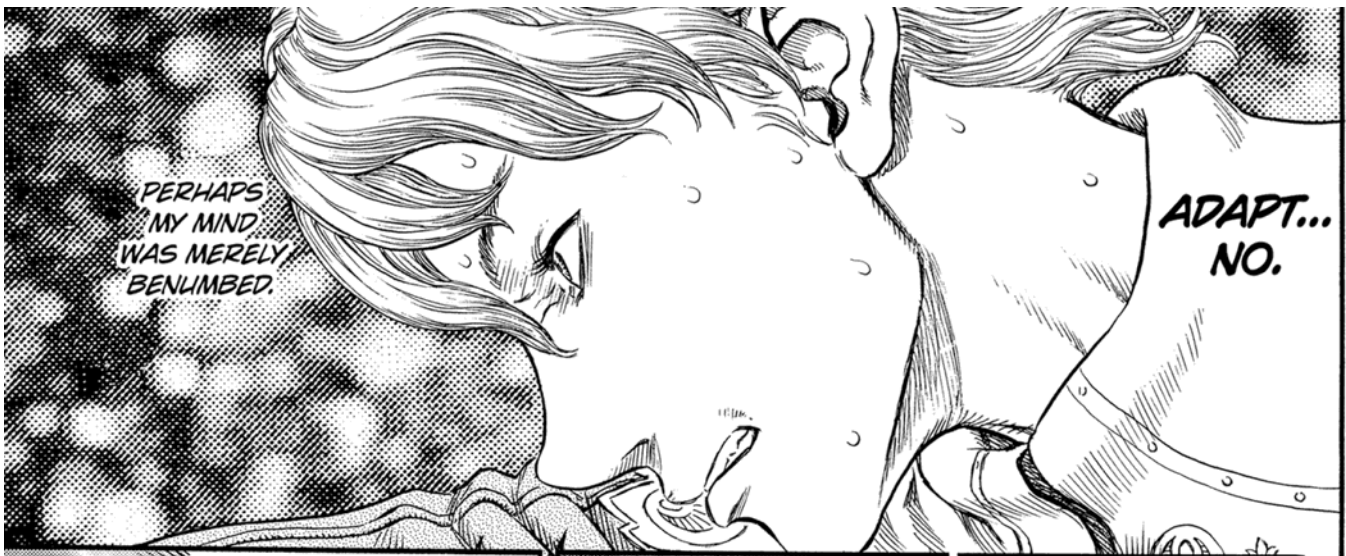
I AM A MAN
GENERALLY
DISASSOCIATED
FROM INTENSE
EMOTION.

EVEN IN
SITUATIONS THAT
SEEMED MORE
OR LESS
UNREASONABLE,
MY MIND WAS
AT REST.



I ADAPT TO MY
CIRCUMSTANCES
AND FILL THE
ROLE I AM
GIVEN. THAT IS
MY STYLE.





PERHAPS
MY MIND
WAS MERELY
BENLIMBED.

ADAPT...
NO.



YOU CLASH
HEAD-ON WITH
YOUR OWN DESTINY.
COMPARED TO MY
COOLED DEMEANOR,
THAT IS A LIFE
SIMILAR TO BEING
SCORCHED BY
HELLFIRE ITSELF.

WHILE I
ARRAYED MYSELF
IN FEIGNED
IGNORANCE,
PERHAPS BEFORE
I KNEW IT,
I TOO WAS
AFFECTED BY
THAT HEAT.



BUT AS I
ENCOUN-
TERED YOU
AND SHARED
IN YOUR
JOURNEY...

...IT WOULD
SEEM THAT NOT
ONLY LADY
FARNESE, BUT I
TOO CHANGED
CONSIDERABLY.

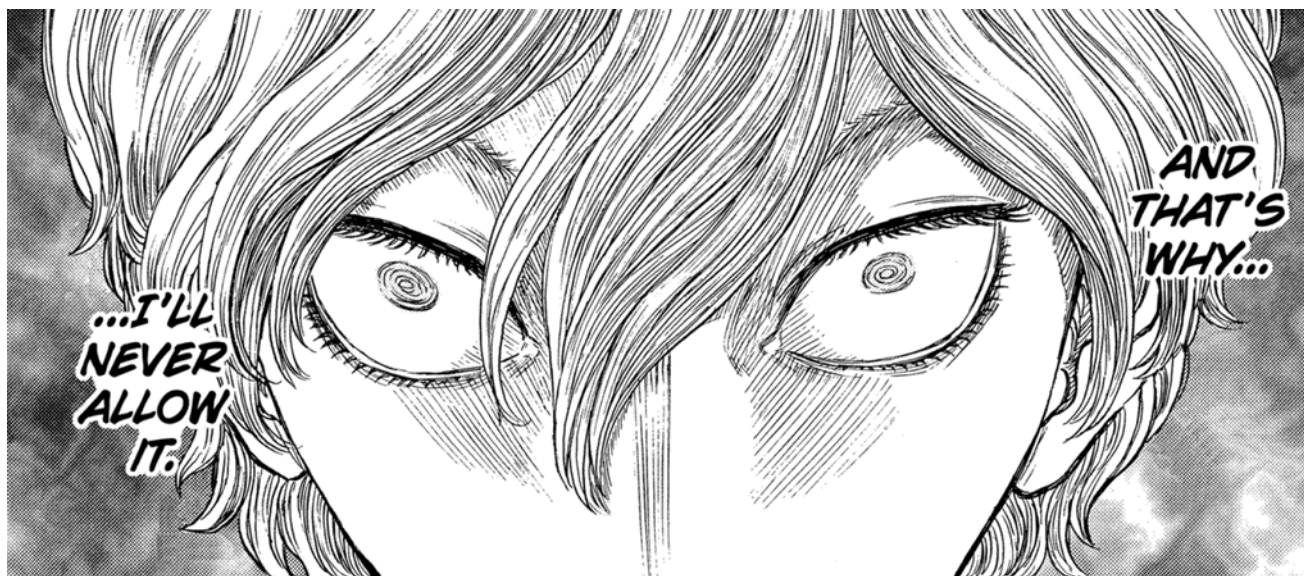


...A MAN
IMPOSSIBLE
TO IGNORE.

YOU
ARE
CER-
TAINLY

...

I FELT
INEFFECTUAL,
YET HAPPY THAT
LADY FARNESE
WAS BEING
CHANGED BY
YOU.

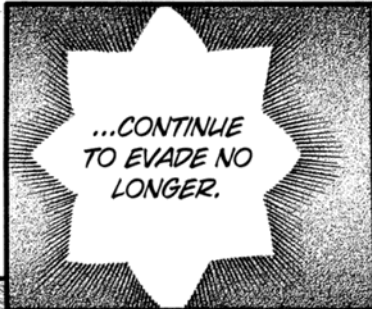
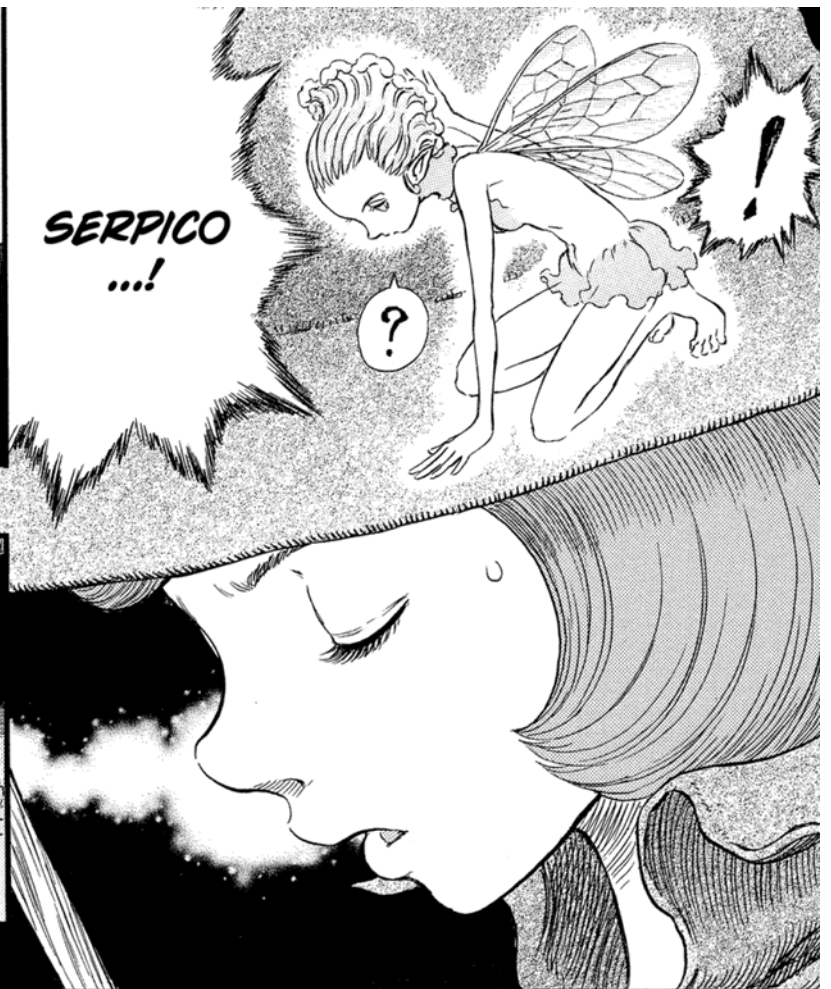


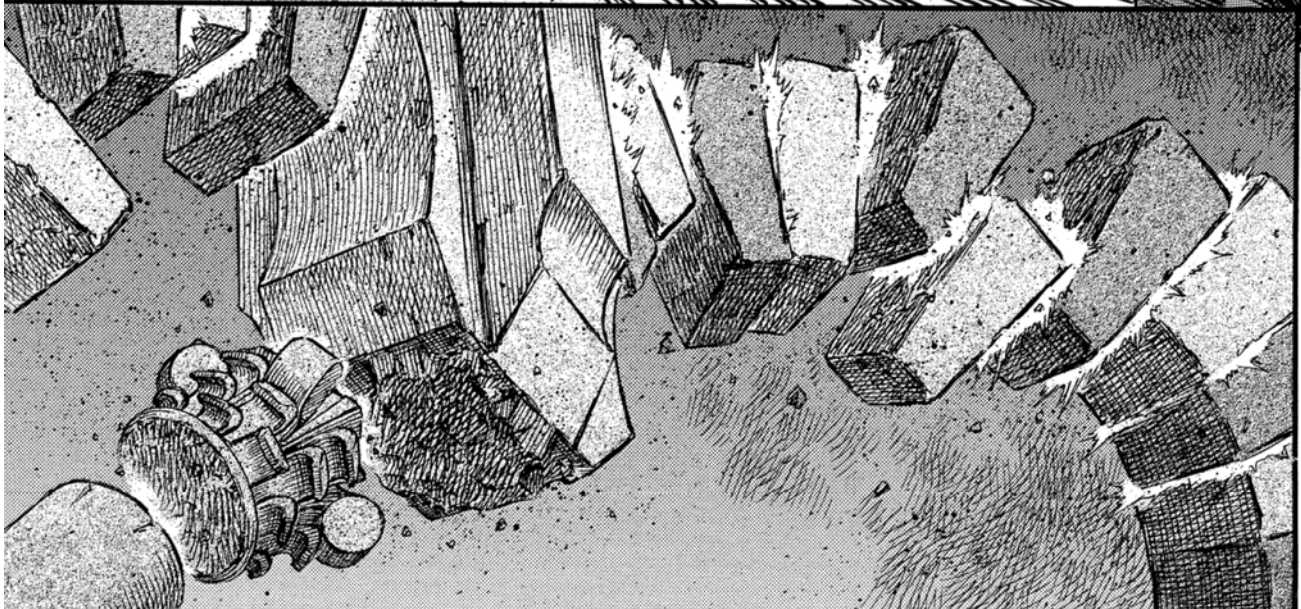
AND
THAT'S
WHY...

...I'LL
NEVER
ALLOW
IT.



I WON'T
ALLOW
THAT TO
HAPPEN...!!







I
WAS...



...WAITING
FOR THIS!!

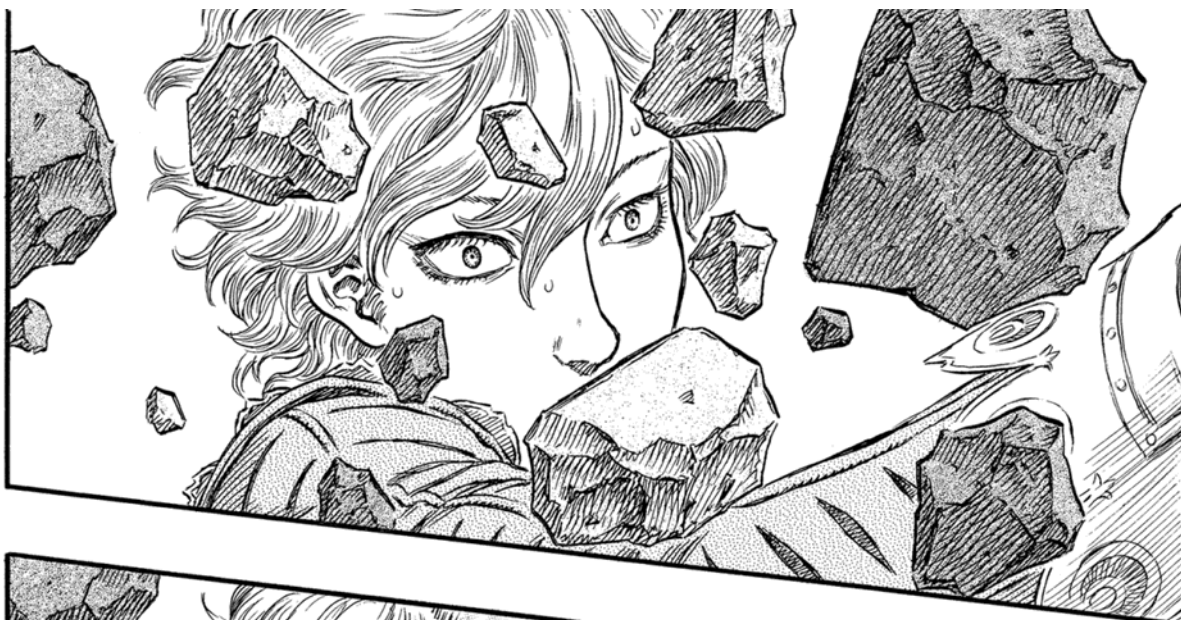






教團の宗主

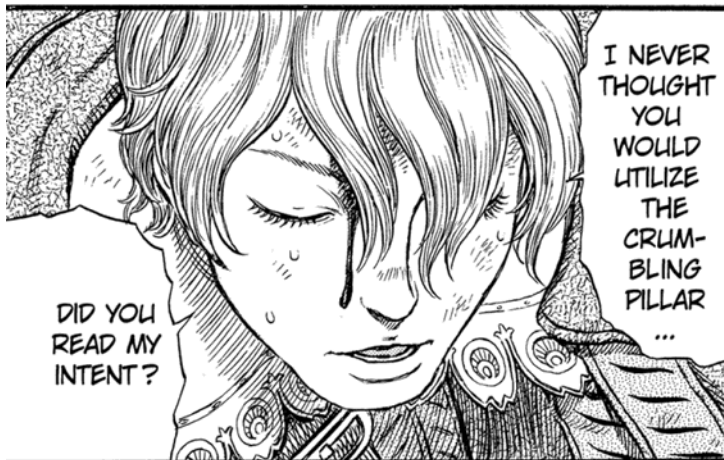
SUZERAIN OF THE
RELIGIOUS DOMAIN





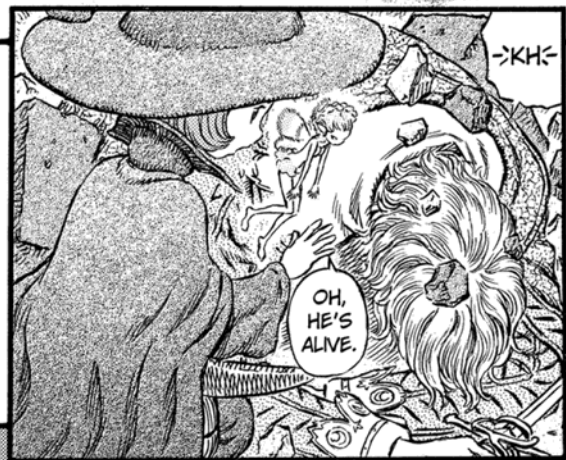
SERPICO
...!

HE H...
ALIVE?



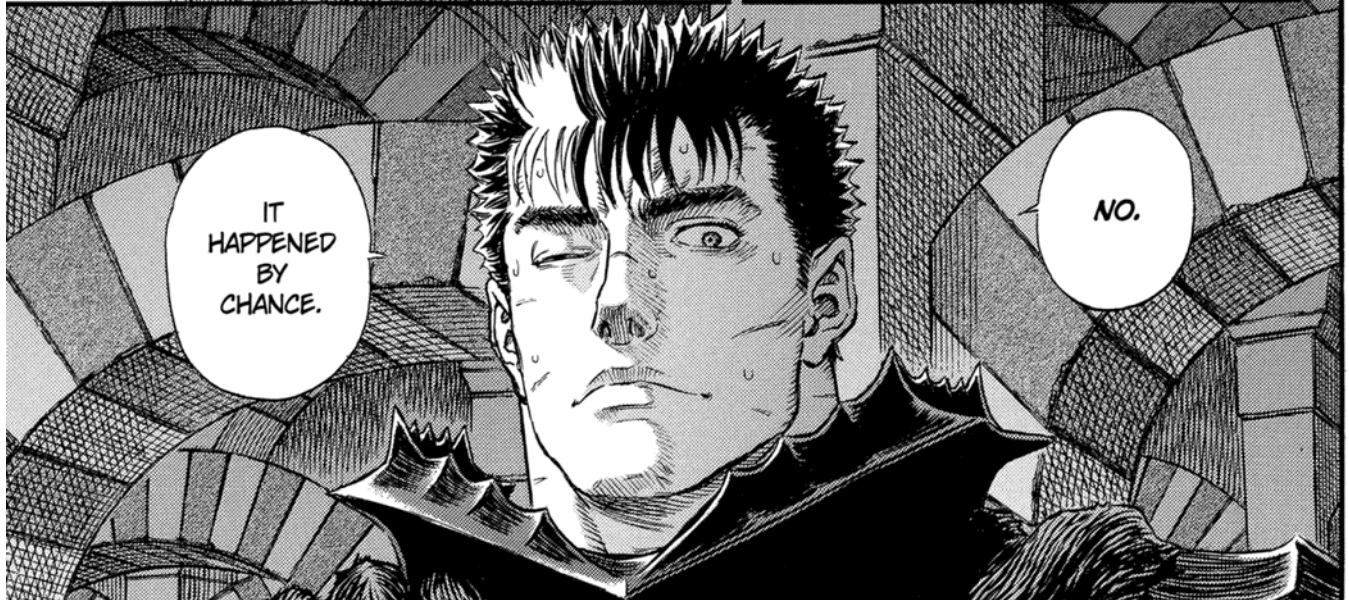
DID YOU
READ MY
INTENT?

I NEVER
THOUGHT
YOU
WOULD
UTILIZE
THE
CRUM-
BLING
PILLAR
...



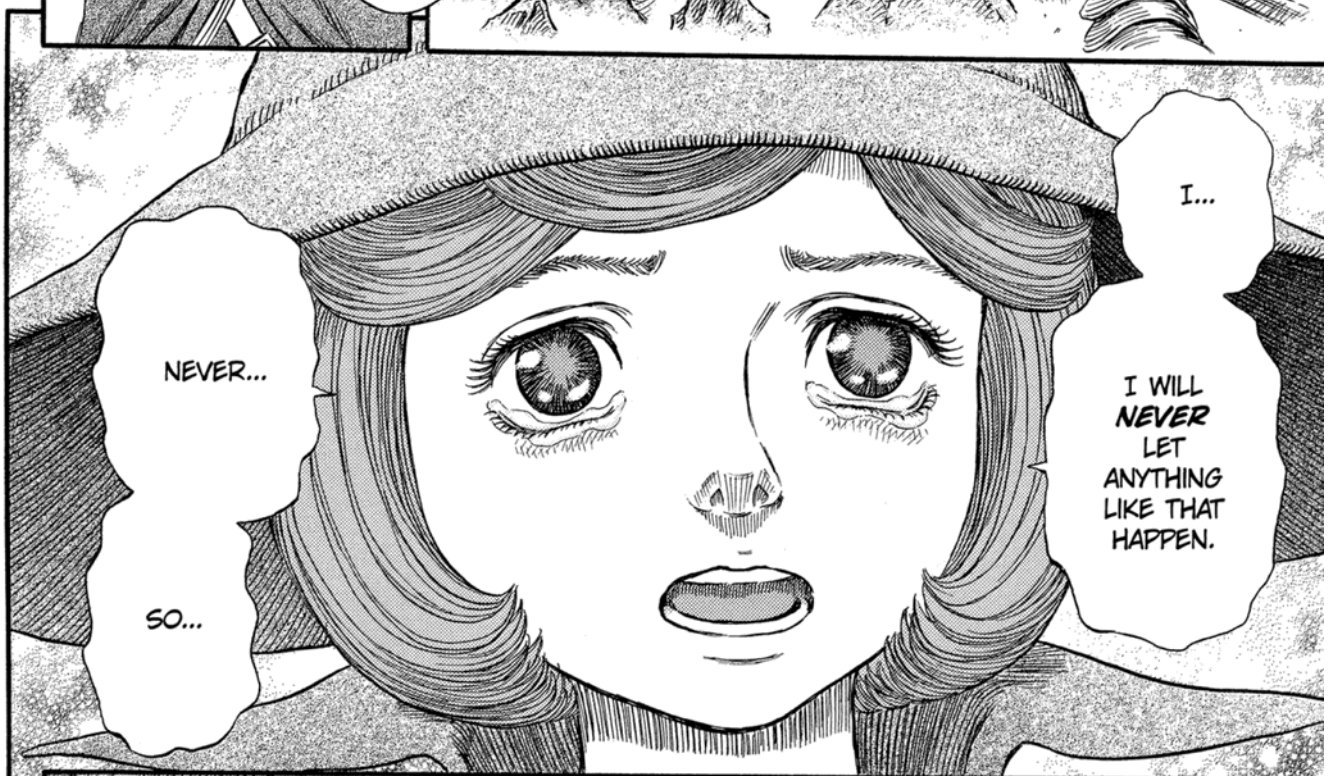
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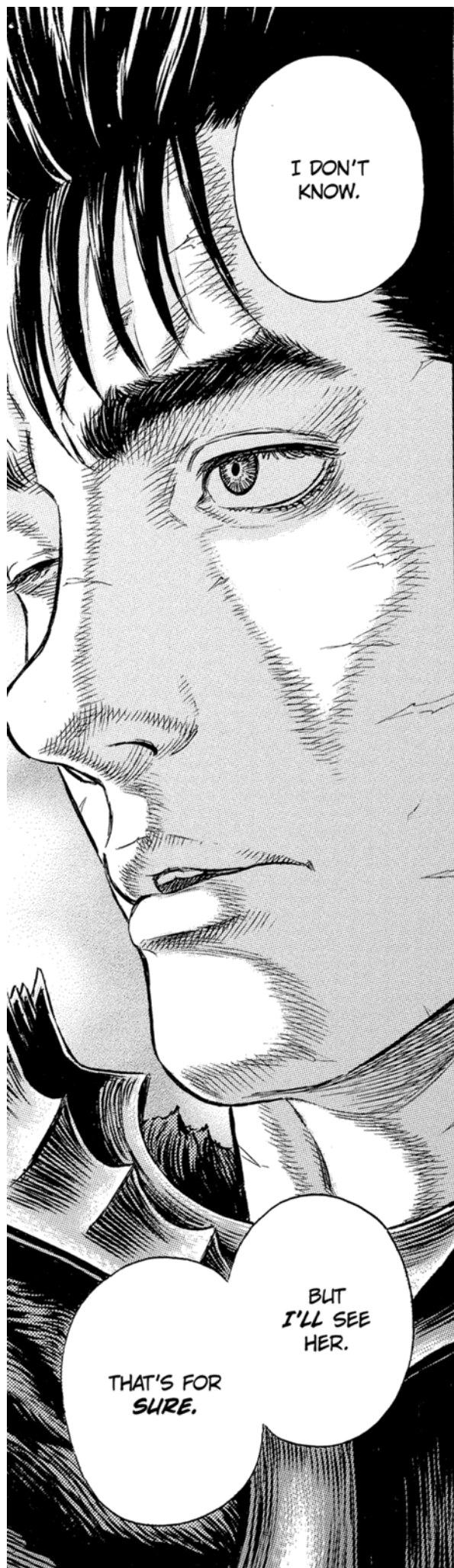
OH,
HE'S
ALIVE.



IT
HAPPENED
BY
CHANCE.

NO.





I DON'T
KNOW.

THAT'S FOR
SURE.

BUT
I'LL SEE
HER.



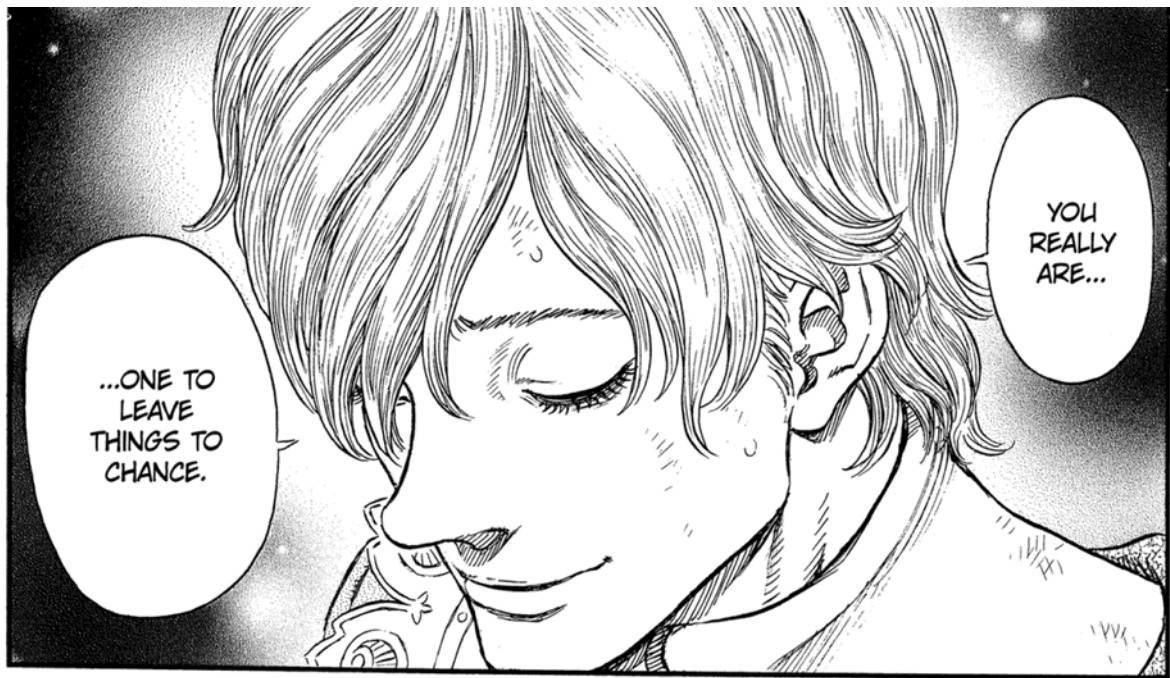
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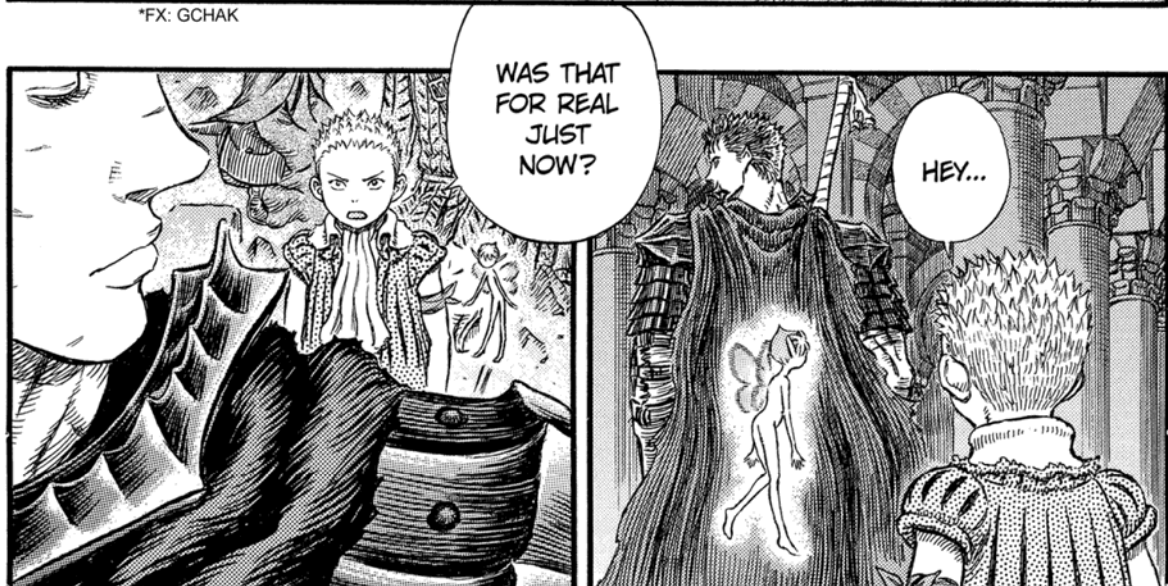
GLITS,
WHEN
YOU SEE
FARNESE...

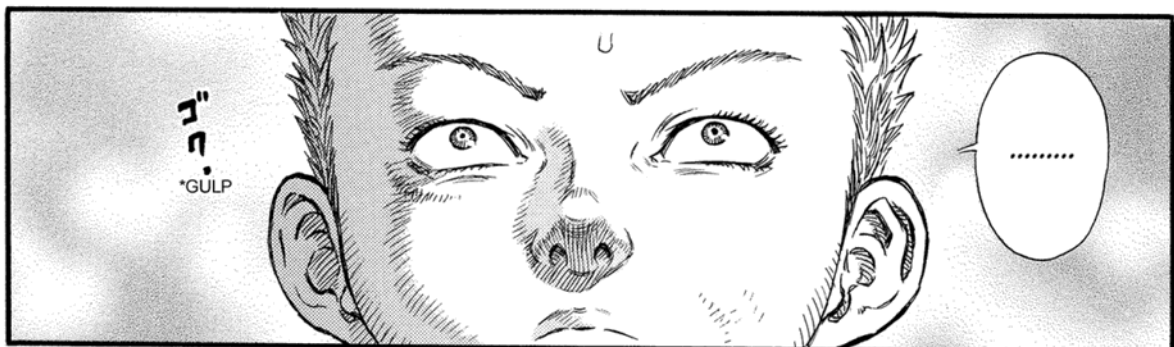
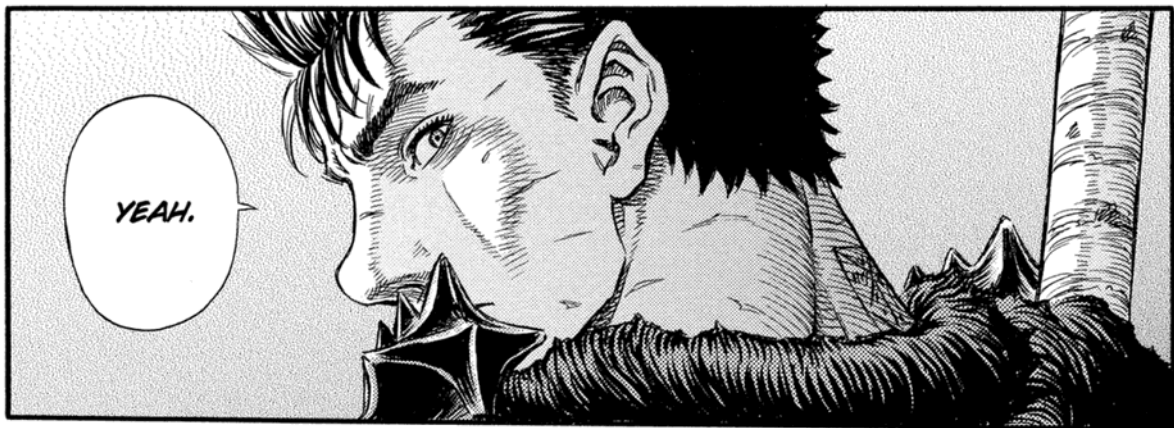
...THEN...

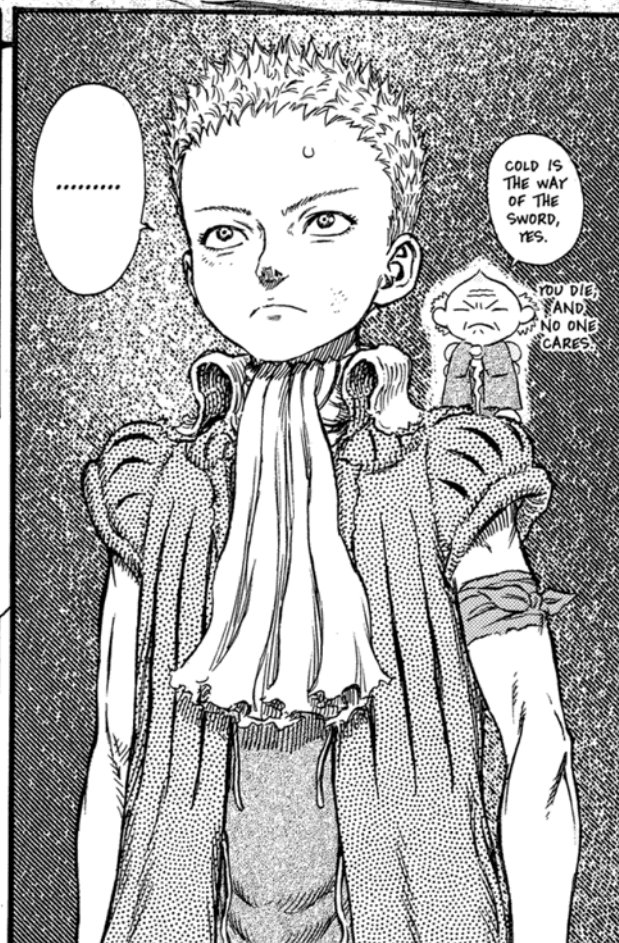
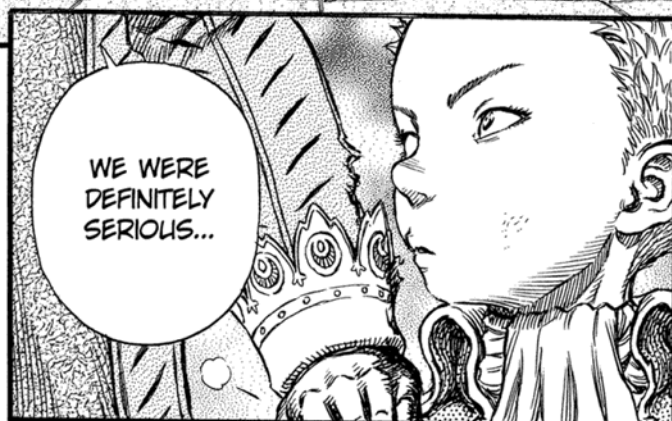
...WHAT
DO YOU
INTEND
TO DO?



*FX: GCHAK







MAYBE HE COULD
BE DEEMED HONEST
TO A FAULT IN
SWEARING NOT TO
USE PROJECTILES...
MUCH LESS THAT
CANNON... WELL,
FOR MY PART,
I *DID* TAKE
ADVANTAGE OF
THAT...

I CHALLENGED
HIM TO A *DUEL*
BY THE SWORD,
AND DESPITE
THE DISADVANT-
AGES HE MAY
HAVE HAD,
HE WOULD
ANSWER BY
THE SWORD.

PERHAPS
I SIMPLY
LACKED THE
POWER TO
DRIVE GUTS
THAT FAR,
OR ELSE...

AND MORE
THAN ANYTHING,
HE DID NOT
UNLEASH THE
POWER OF
HIS ARMOR.

...ON YOUR
UNYIELDING
SPIRIT.

...I
SUPPOSE
I WILL
WAGER...

IF THAT
IS THE
CASE...

DON'T
LINGER
BEHIND
OR I'LL
LEAVE
YOU.

THAT
MON-
STER'S
GOT ME
WORRIED.

R-
RIGHT!

.....



AT THE SHORE ...

I DO NOT KNOW WHY...



...AND IT HAS INFILTRATED THIS PALACE.

IT IS APPARENTLY AKIN TO THE FAMILIARS THAT ATTACKED US AT THE SHORE...

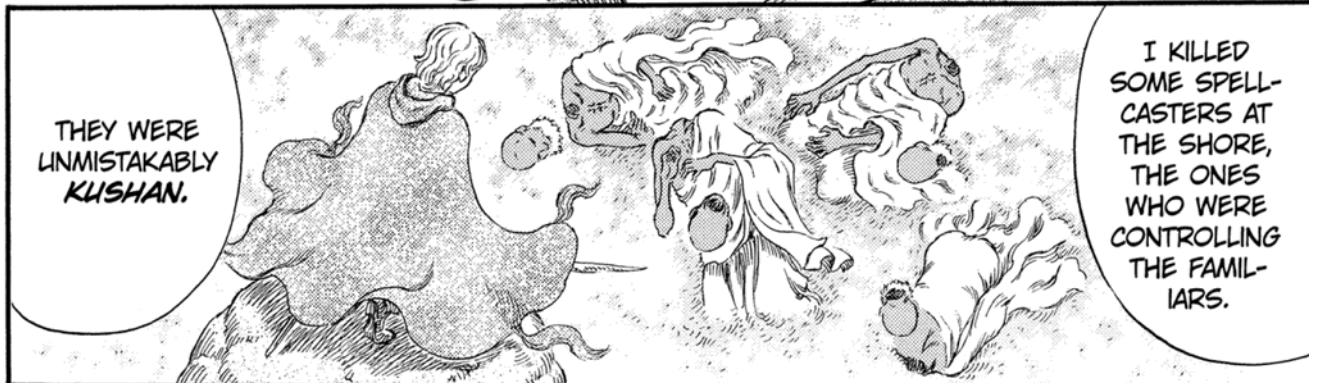


MONSTER ?

YES.

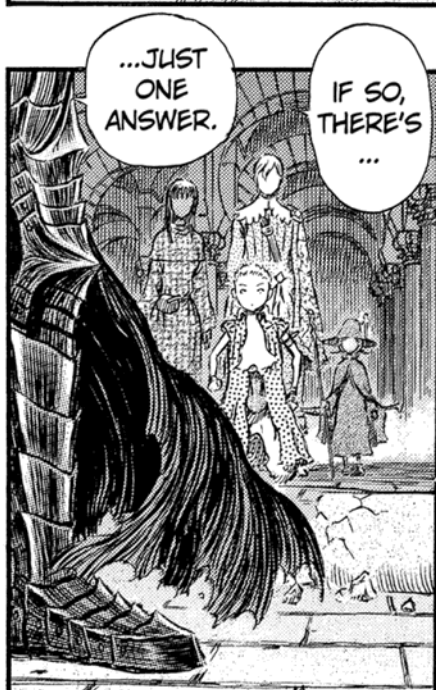


I CAN THINK OF A REASON ...



THEY WERE UNMISTAKABLY **KUSHAN**.

I KILLED SOME SPELL-CASTERS AT THE SHORE, THE ONES WHO WERE CONTROLLING THE FAMILIARS.



...JUST ONE ANSWER.

IF SO, THERE'S ...



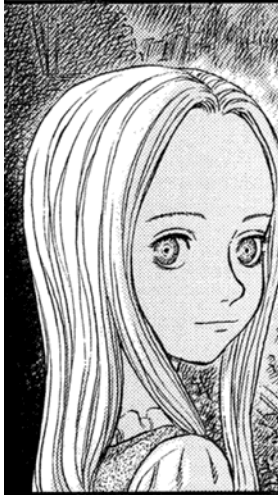
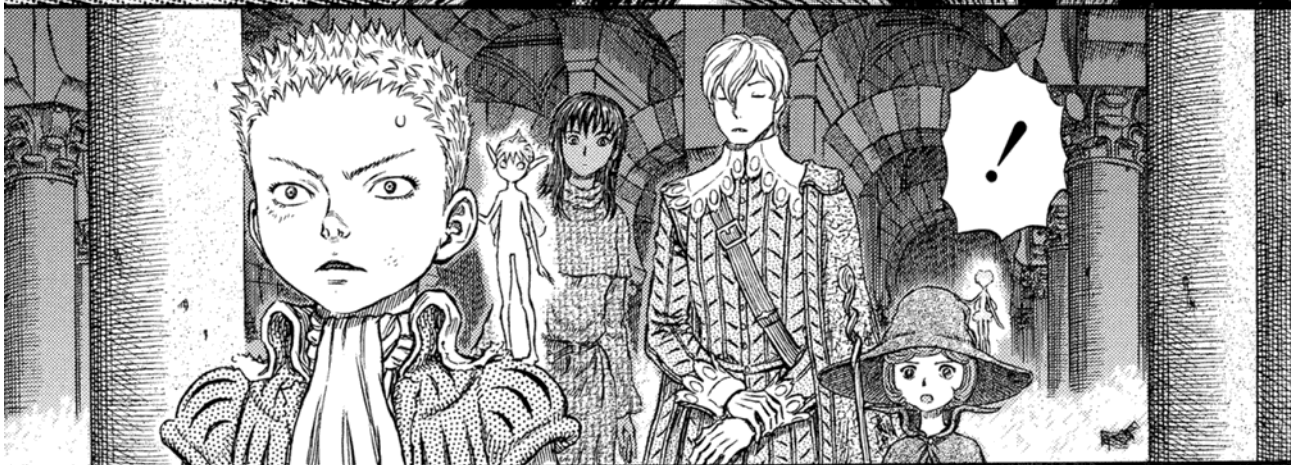
IF THE KUSHAN ARE THUSLY USING SPELL-CASTERS AS SCOUTS, OR AS A VANGUARD...

MAYBE THAT ATTACK HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE WAR IN PROGRESS.

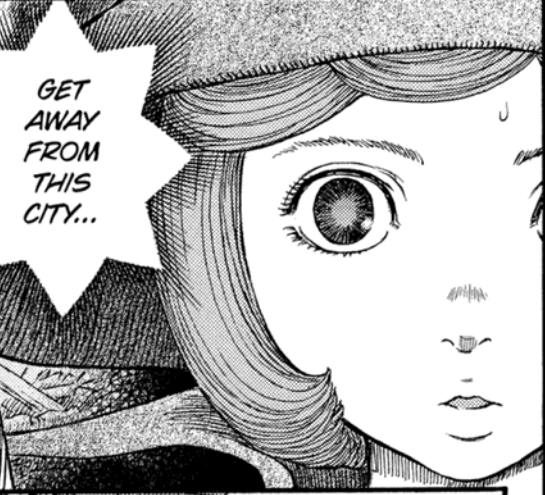


...GONNA
BECOME A
BATTLE-
FIELD.

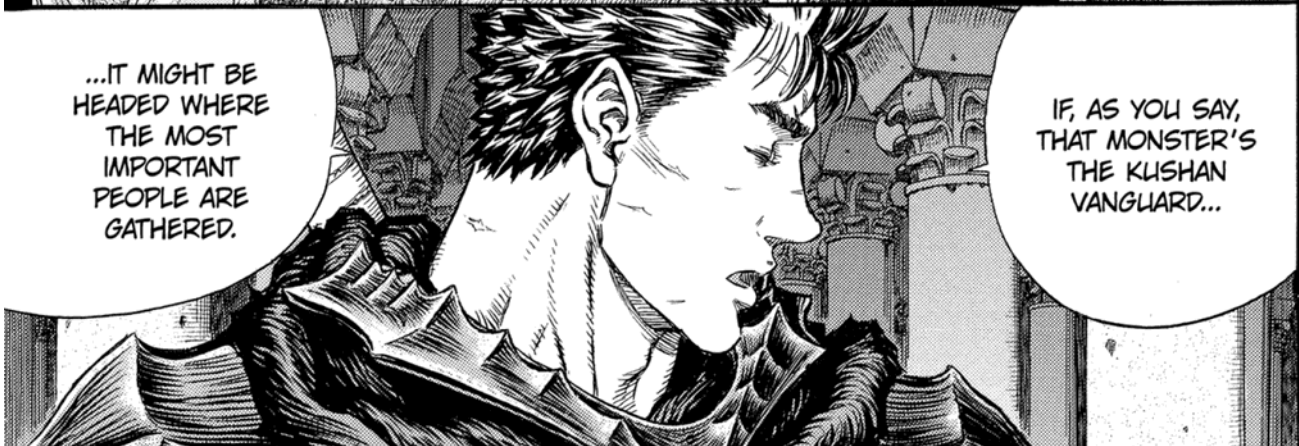
PRETTY
SOON,
THIS
CITY'S...



...AS
FAST
AS YOU
CAN.



GET
AWAY
FROM
THIS
CITY...



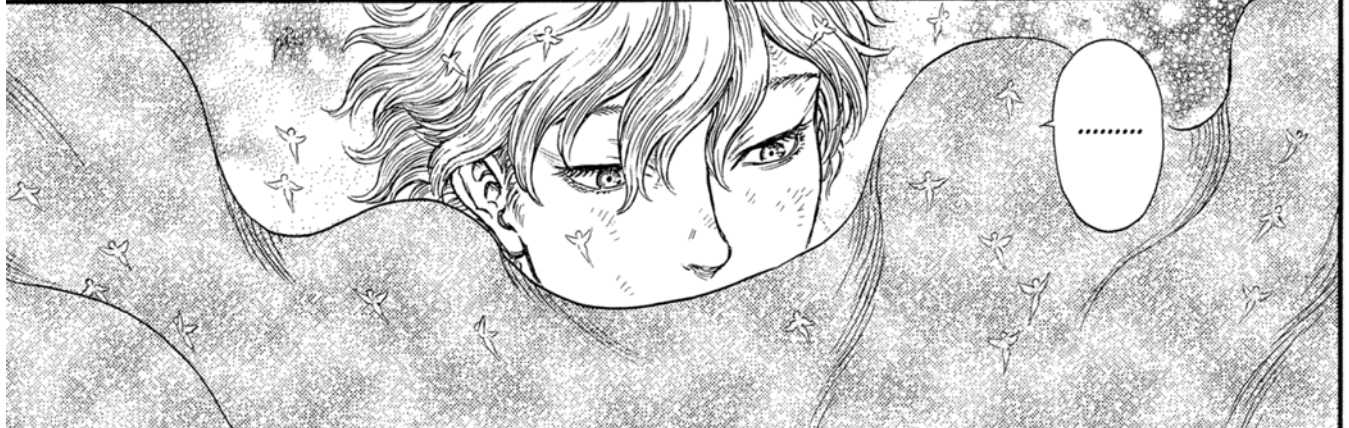
...IT MIGHT BE
HEADED WHERE
THE MOST
IMPORTANT
PEOPLE ARE
GATHERED.

IF, AS YOU SAY,
THAT MONSTER'S
THE KUSHAN
VANGUARD...



*FX: RUMMAGE







...HAS
ARRIVED.

...LORD
FEDERICO DO
VANDIMION...

HOLDER OF
THE HONOR-
ABLE TITLE
"MASTER OF
SCALES"...

THE THIRD-
GENERATION
HEAD OF THE
VANDIMION
FAMILY...

IT ISN'T
JUST NATIONS.
THE FINANCIAL
ADMINISTRATION OF
EVEN THE HOLY SEE
IS MANAGED SINGLE-
HANDEDLY BY THE
VANDIMION BANK.

THEY SAY
THAT STARTING
WITH CHUDER,
HARDLY ANY OF THE
GREAT POWERS
CAN NOW WAGE
WAR WITHOUT
VANDIMION
FINANCIAL
BACKING.

THAT'S FEDERICO
DO VANDIMION,
HEAD OF THE
GREAT VANDIMION
FAMILY--THE
FOREMOST IN
THE WORLD.

HE SURELY
IS THE MOST
INFLUENTIAL
PERSON IN
THE HOLY
SEE DOMAIN.

TALK
ABOUT
PRE-
SENCE.

TCH!

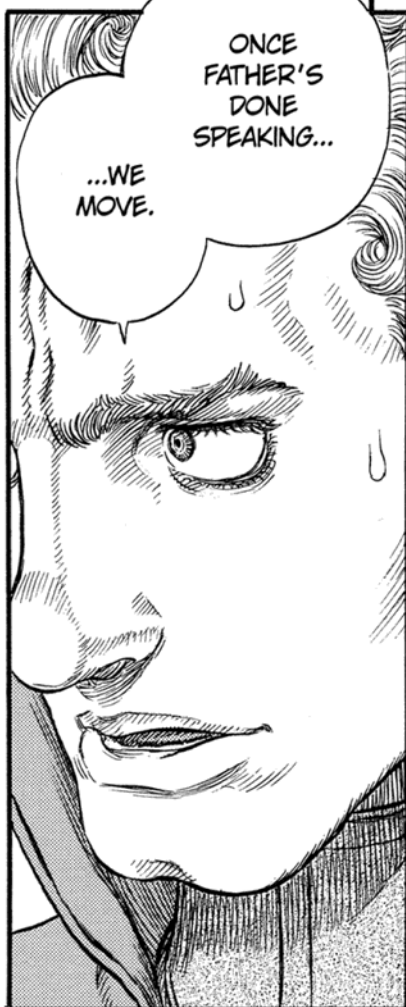
SERPICO
?

.....!

.....



RODERICK...



ONCE
FATHER'S
DONE
SPEAKING...

...WE
MOVE.

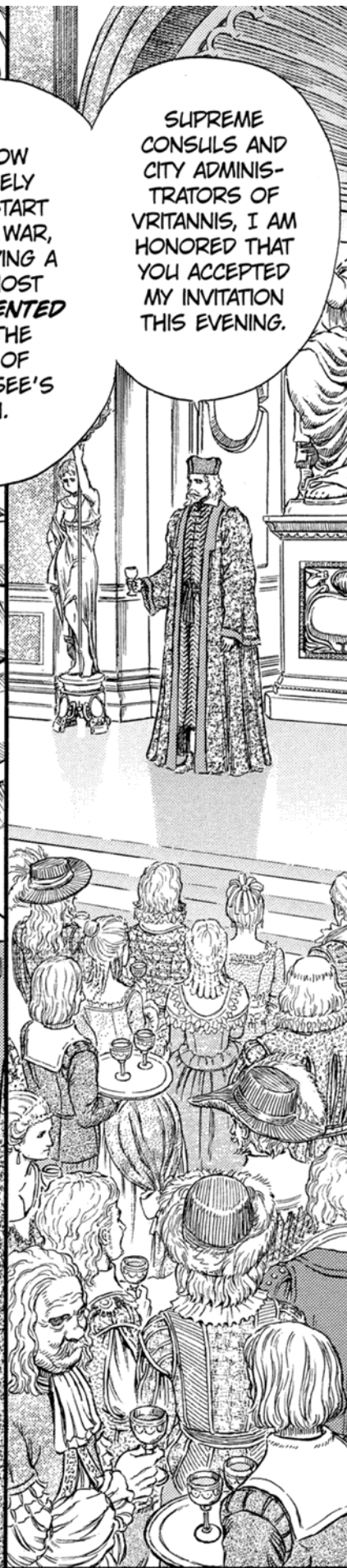
YOU
DIGNITARIES
FROM MYRIAD
NATIONS MUST
FEEL AKIN
TO MIGHTY
HEROES.

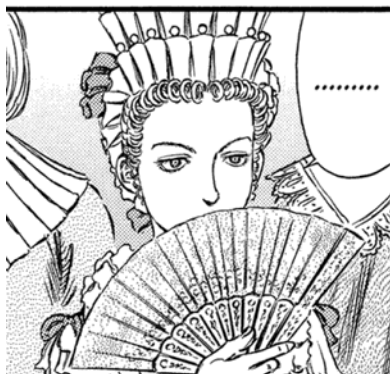
TOMORROW
WILL SURELY
SEE THE START
OF A HOLY WAR,
ONE INVOLVING A
MILITARY HOST
UNPRECEDENTED
EVEN IN THE
HISTORY OF
THE HOLY SEE'S
DOMAIN.

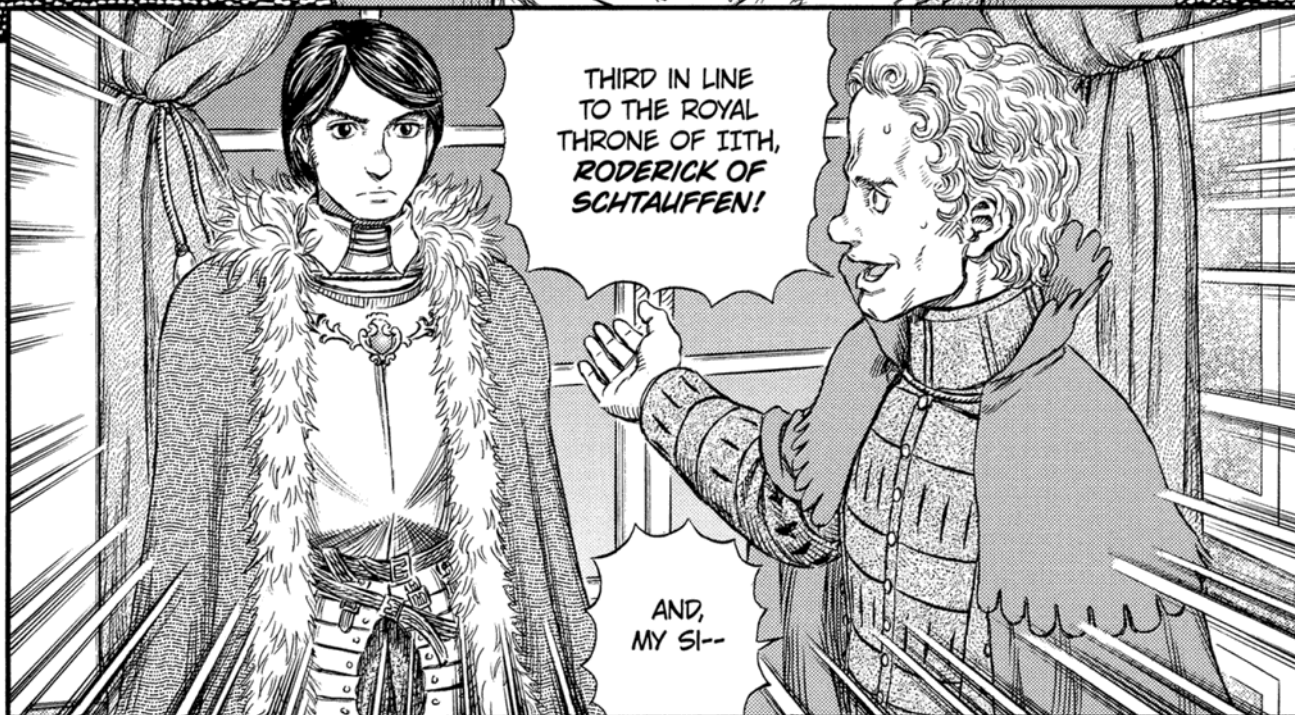
SUPREME
CONSULS AND
CITY ADMINIS-
TRATORS OF
VRITANNIS, I AM
HONORED THAT
YOU ACCEPTED
MY INVITATION
THIS EVENING.



HOWEVER,
THIS IS YOUR
LAST BANQUET
BEFORE
DEPARTING FOR
THE FRONT,
SO LET US
TONIGHT DISCUSS
NOTHING SO
INELEGANT.







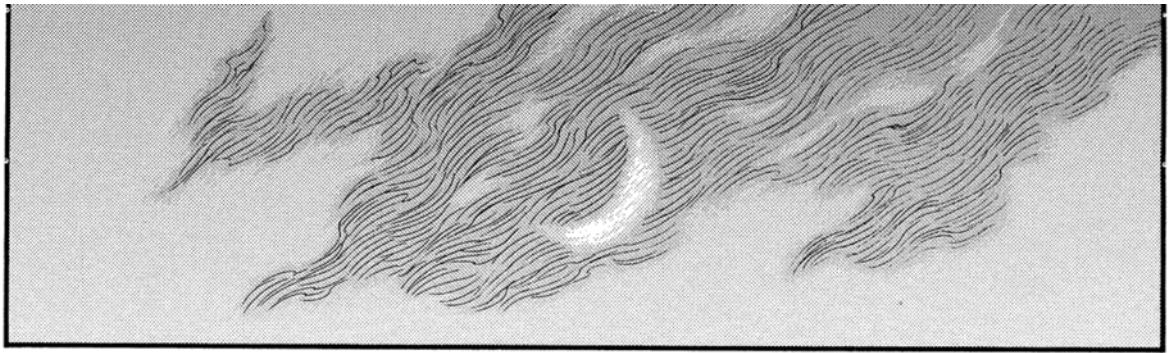


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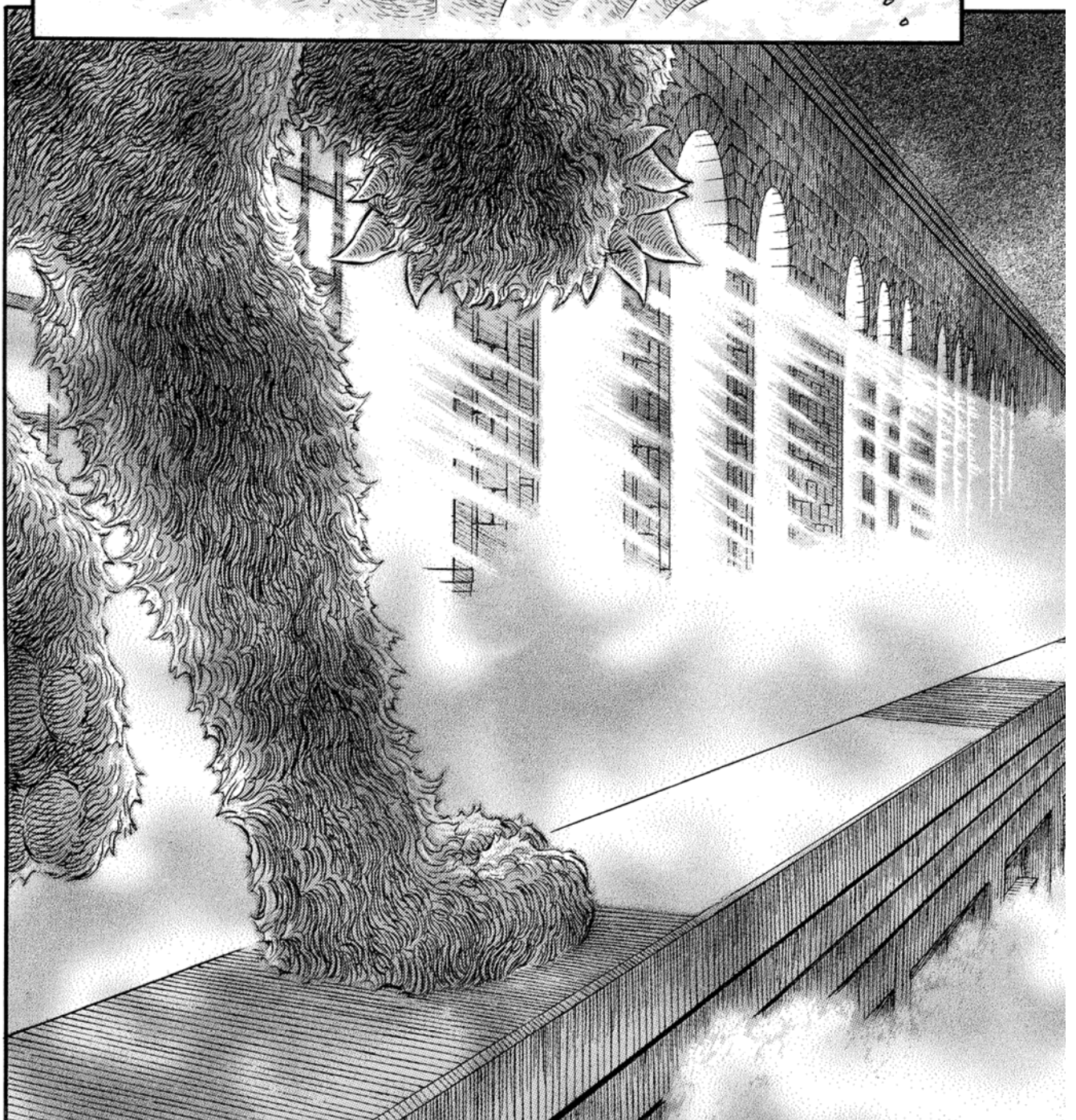
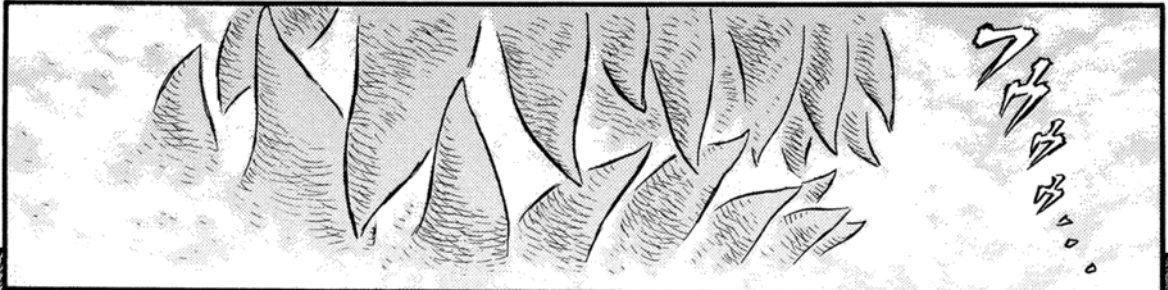


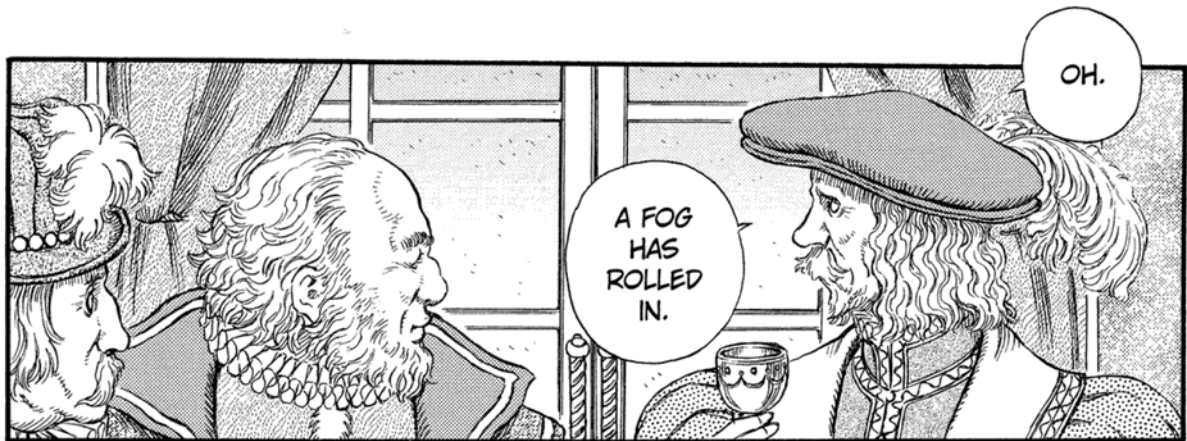
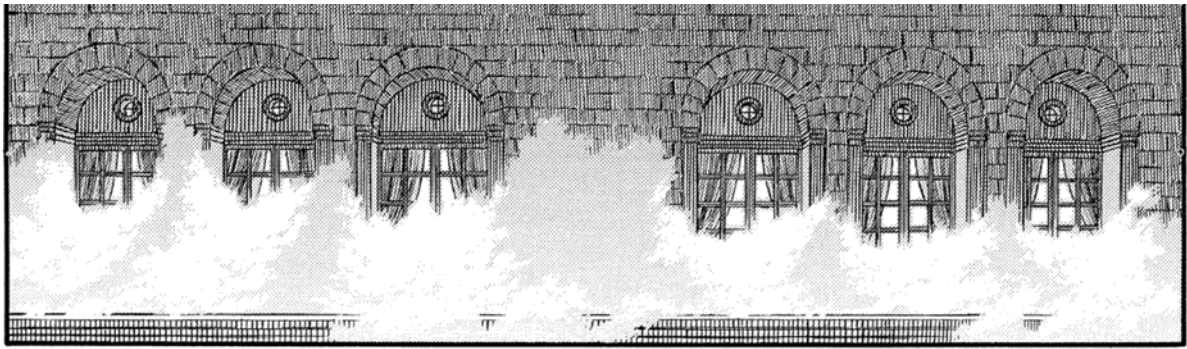
*FX: FLIP FLIP



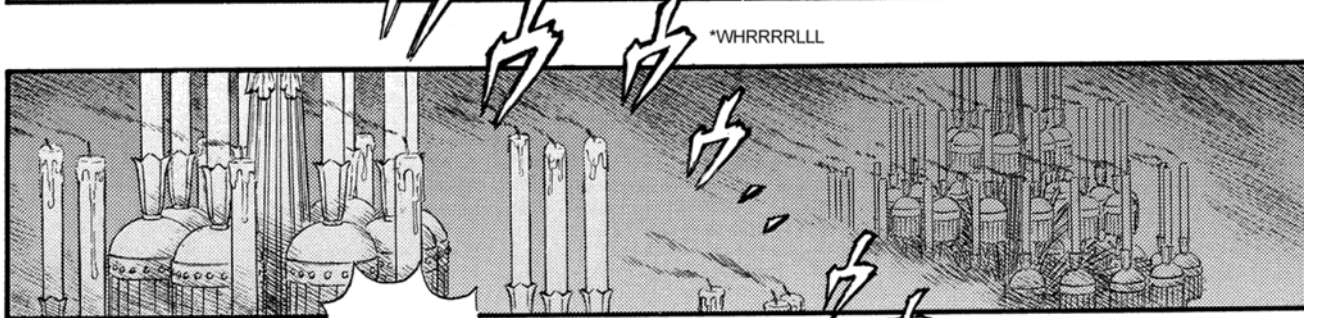


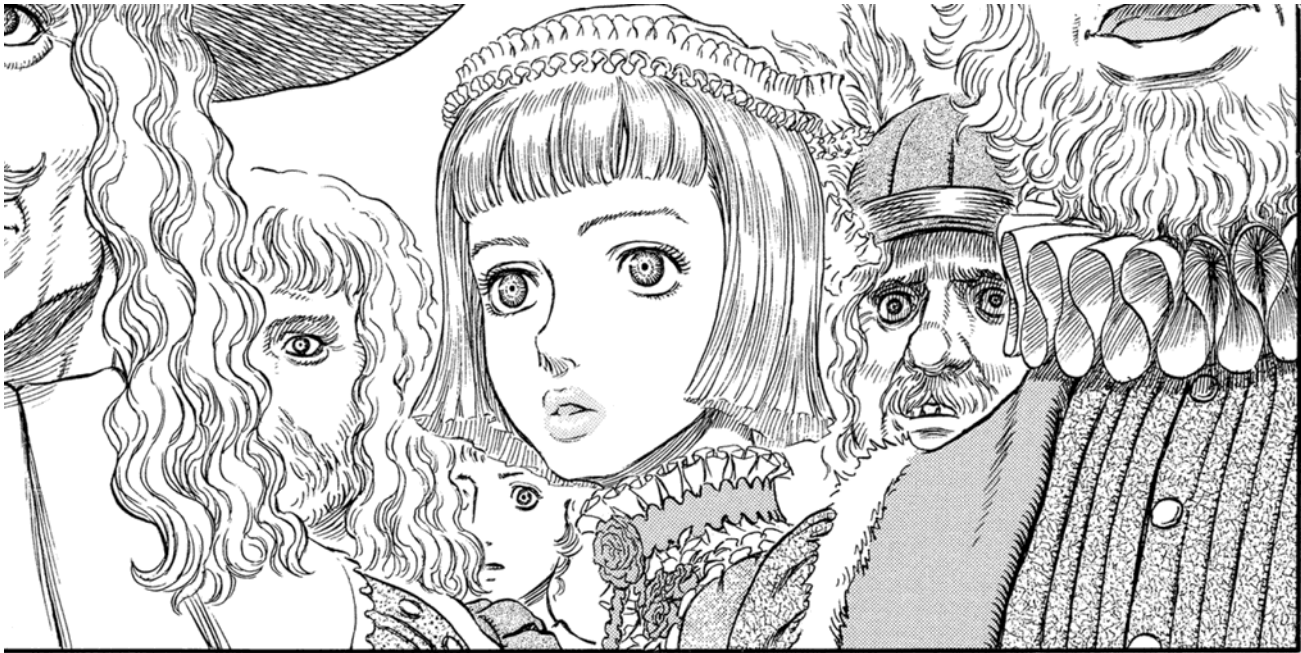
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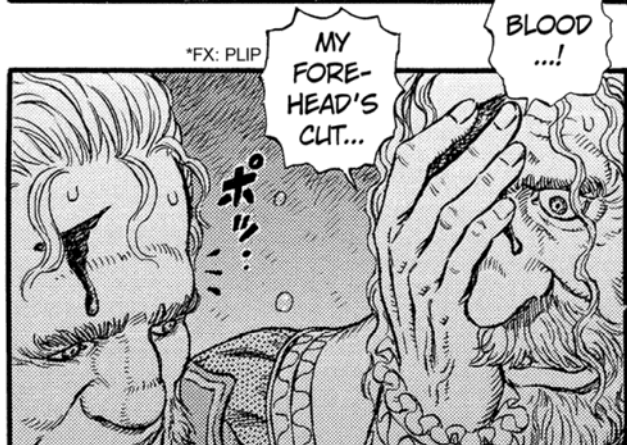


ENCHANTED TIGER
妖虎





*FX: HHHH HHHH





*HAHHHHH

アアアア



サウホウキョウ

*FX: VLACH POK SHRRAP



I HAVE BROUGHT GOOD PEOPLE. A LIGHT.



*SPLAT

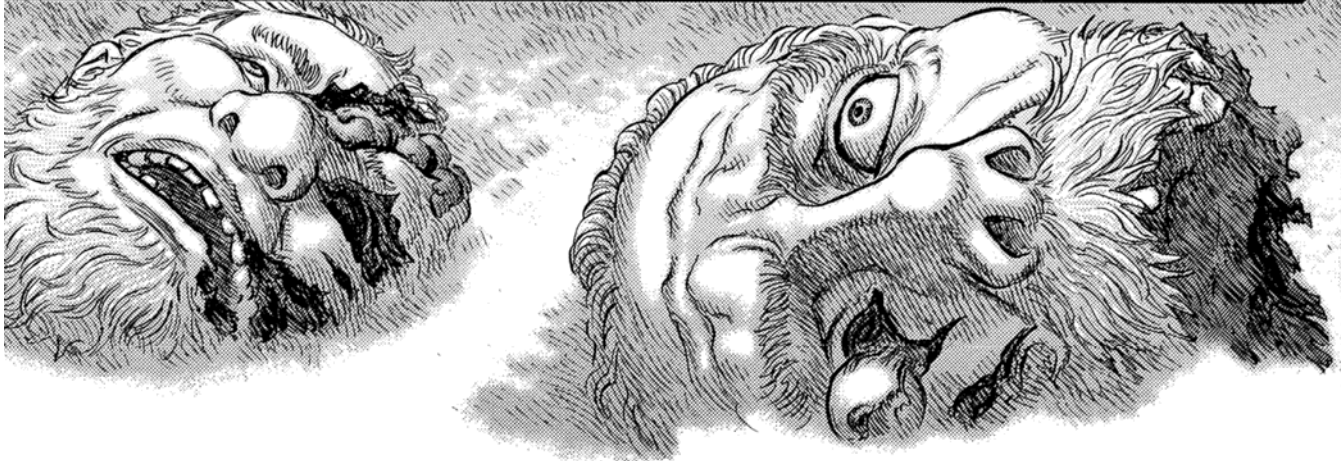
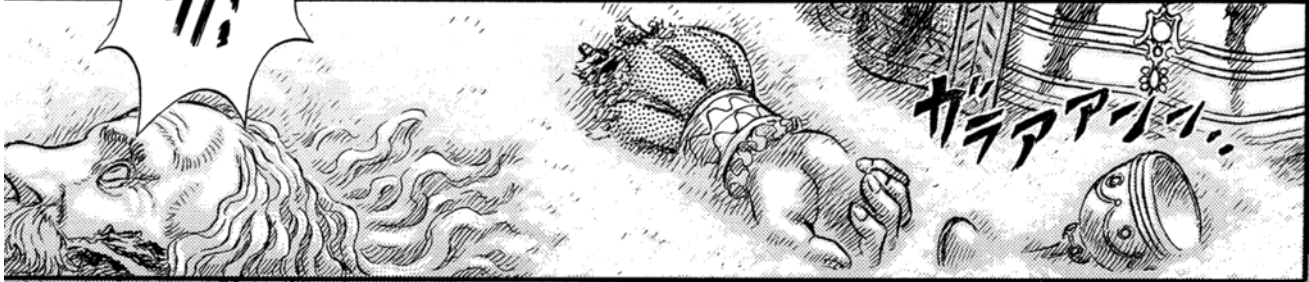


H...

HEY, WHAT WAS THAT ?!



*FX: GLANNG











IT'S--

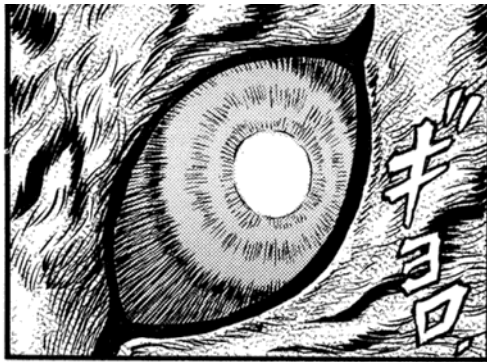


GROWWW



SWASSH





*FX: GLANCE



*SPRING



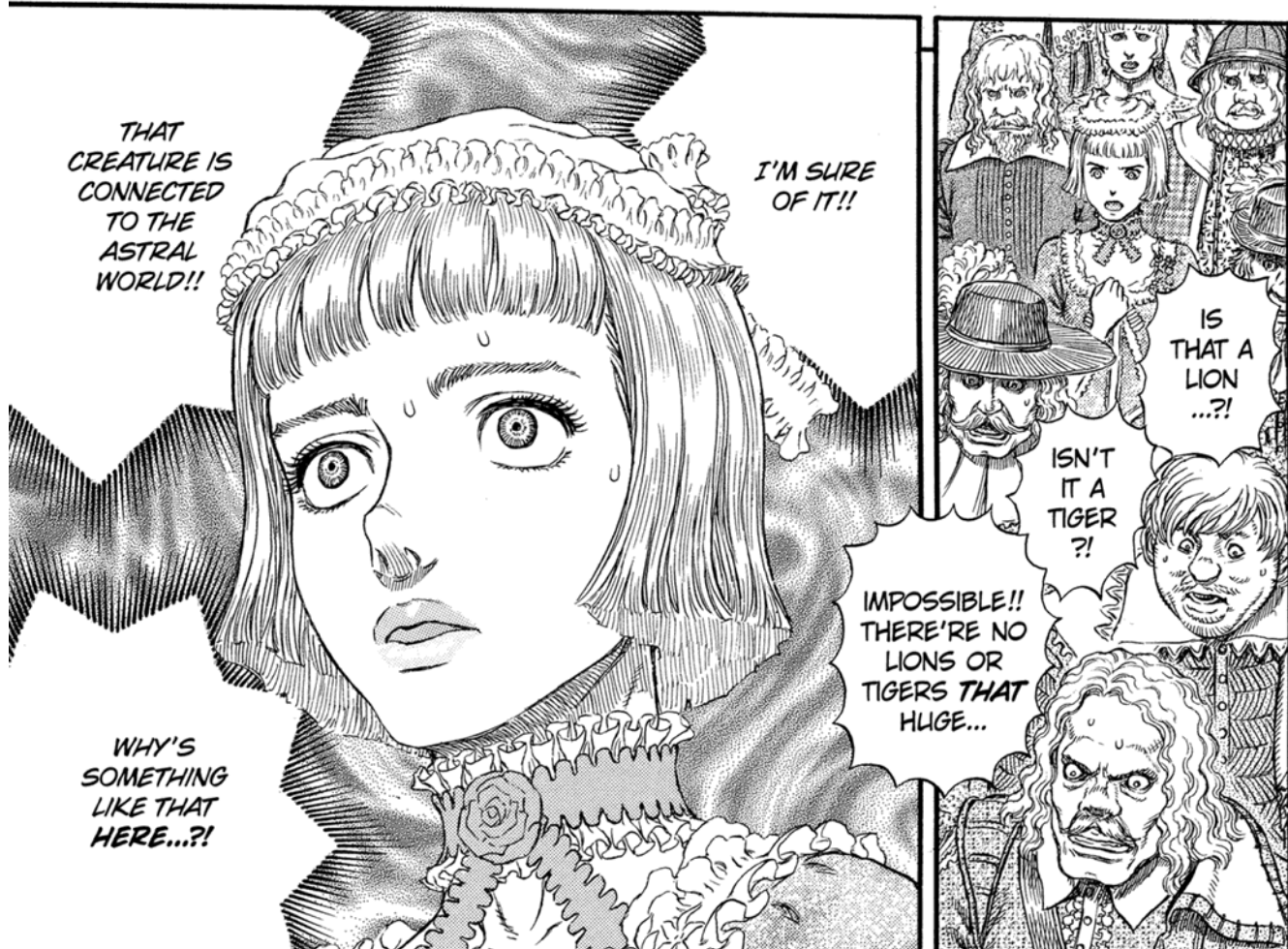
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EXIT...!!

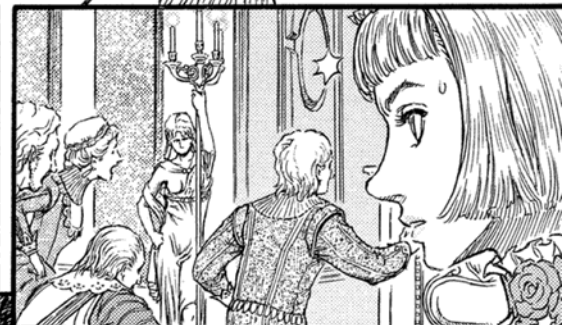
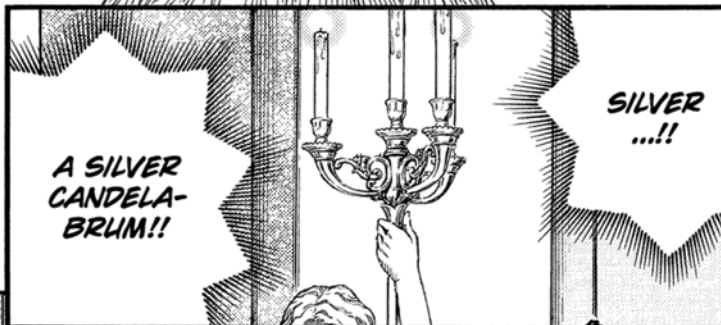
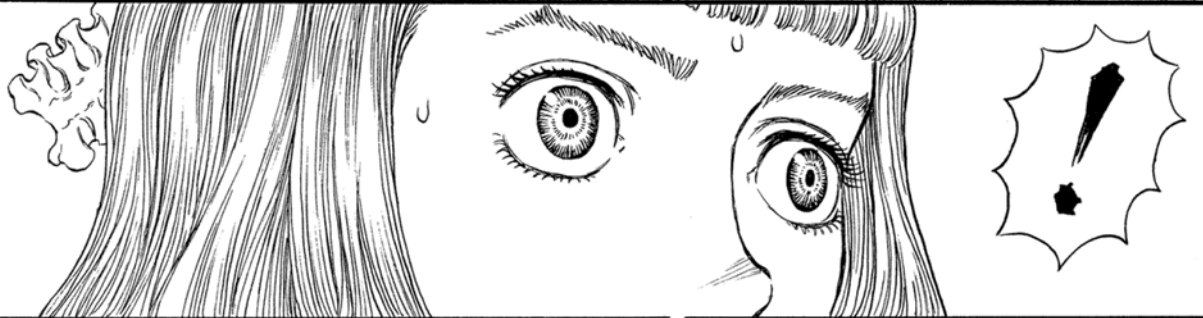
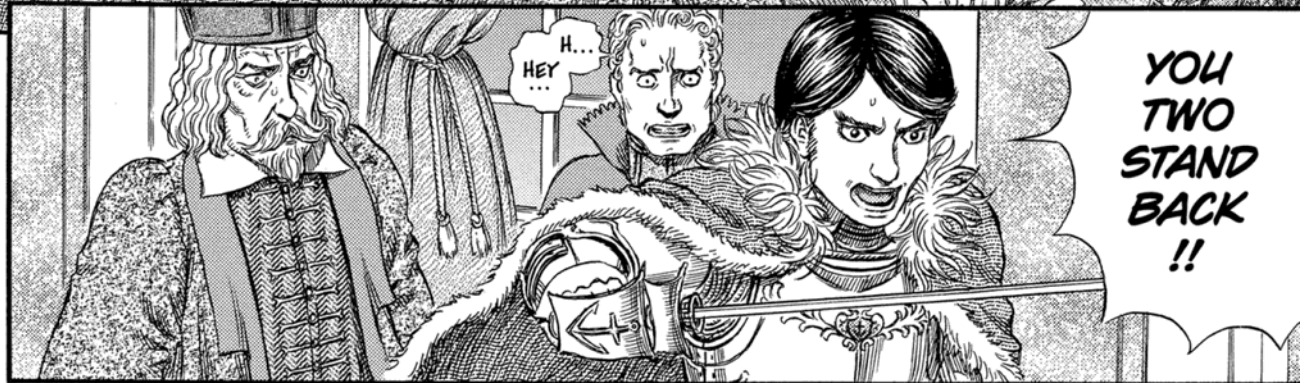
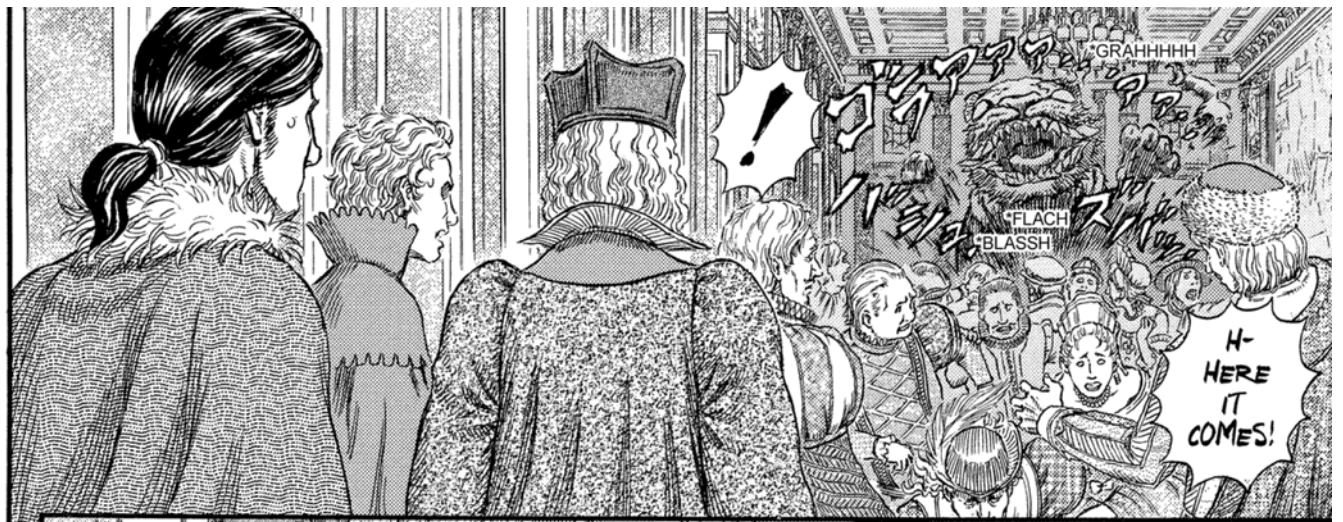


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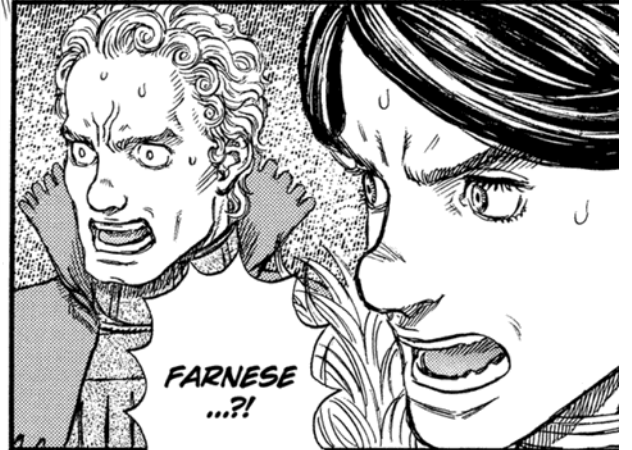
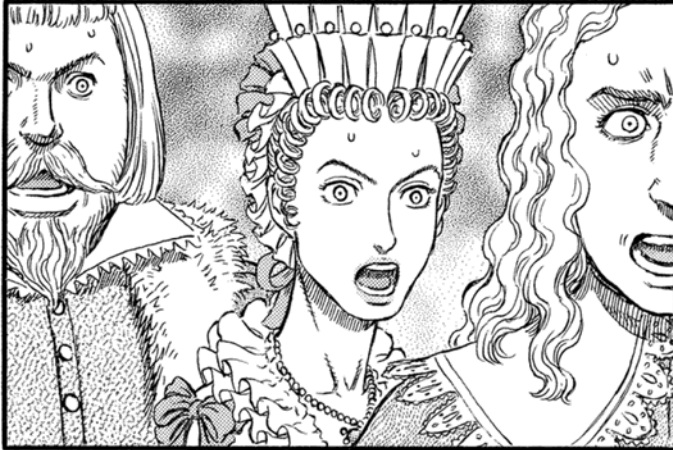
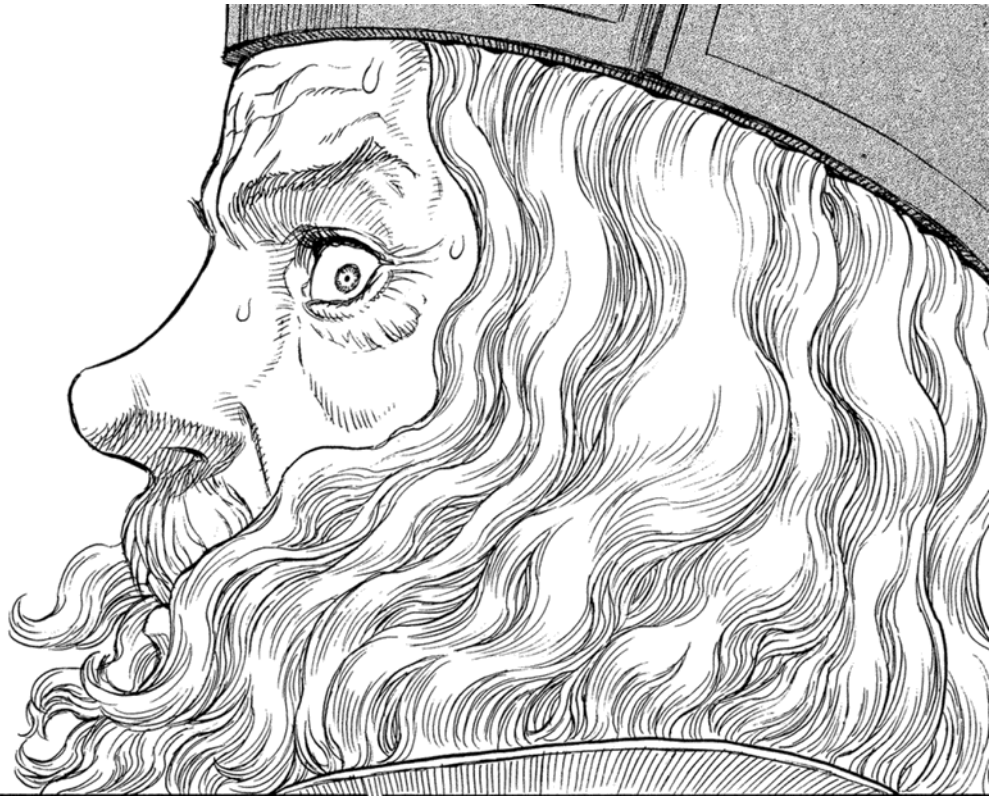
*ZHFAAA

*CHOMP



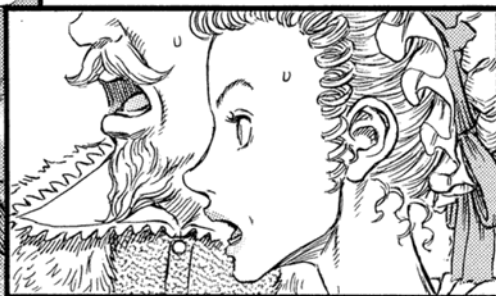








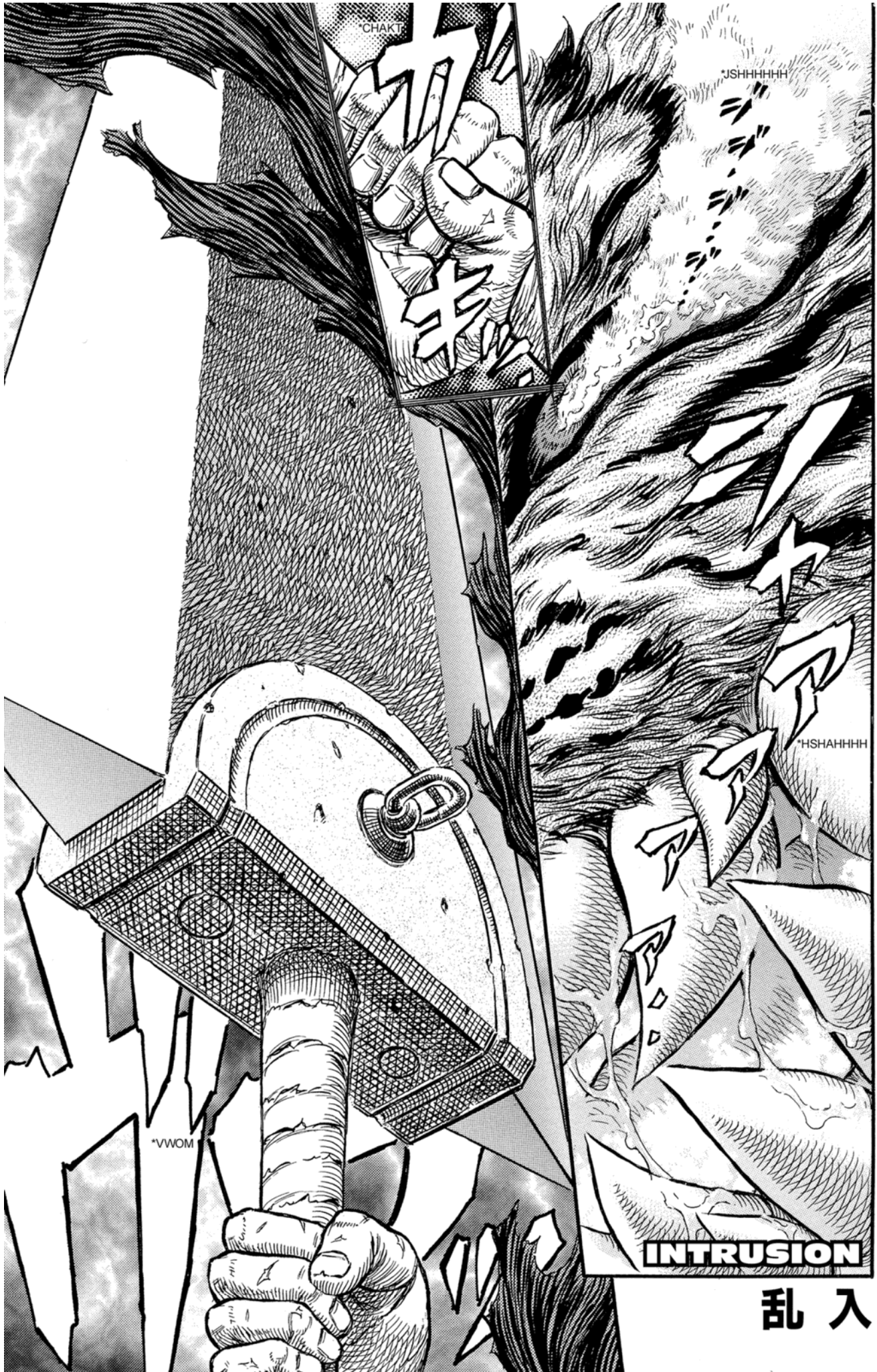






...THE
PARTY'S
IN FULL
SWING.

LOOKS
LIKE...



*CHAKT

*JSHHHHHH

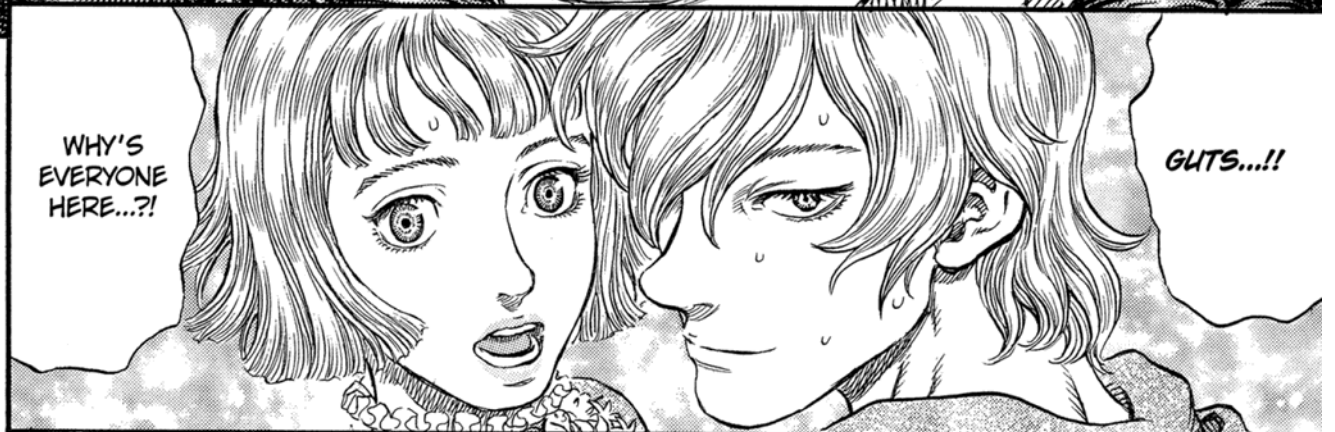
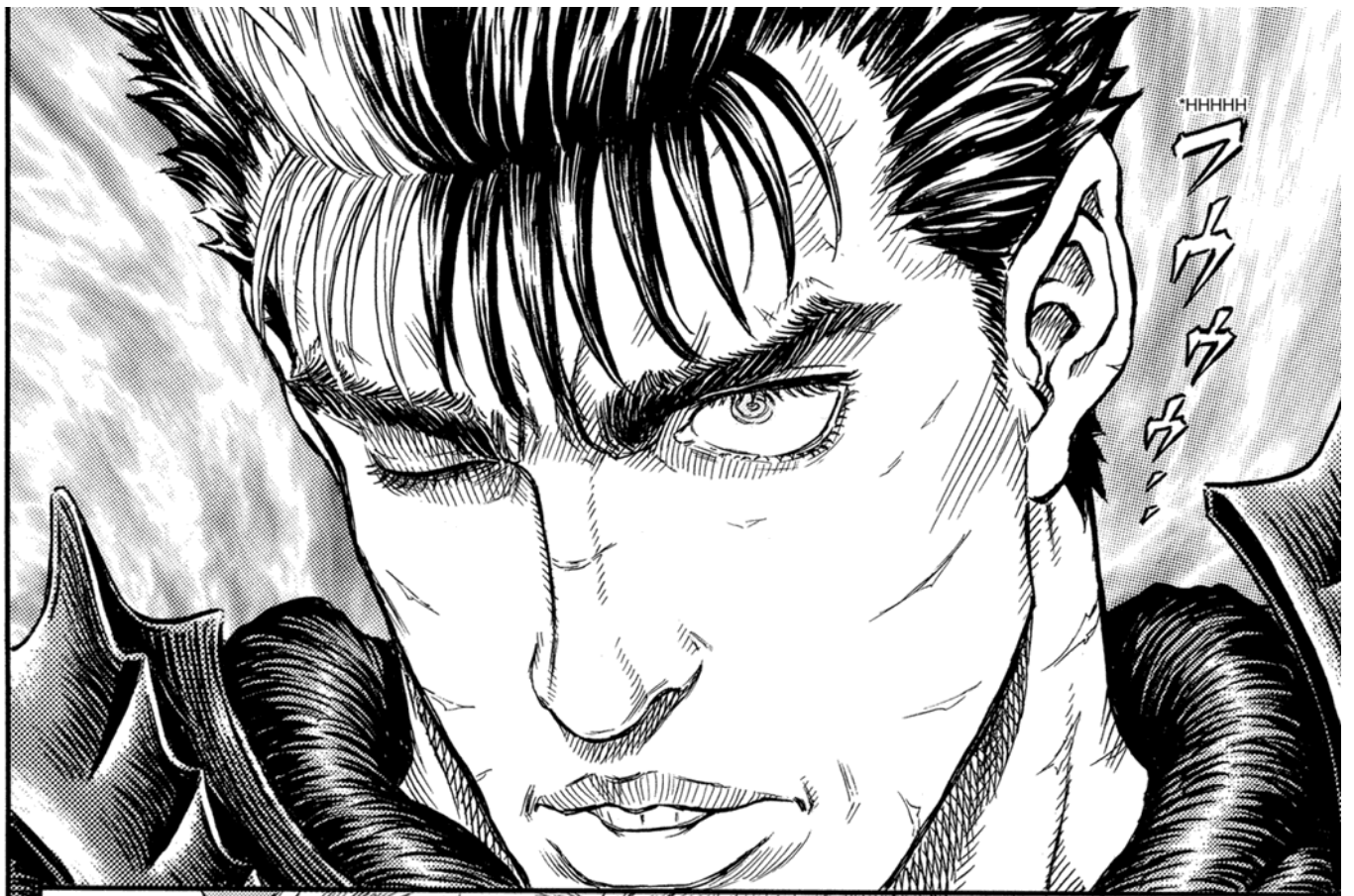
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*VWOM

INTRUSION

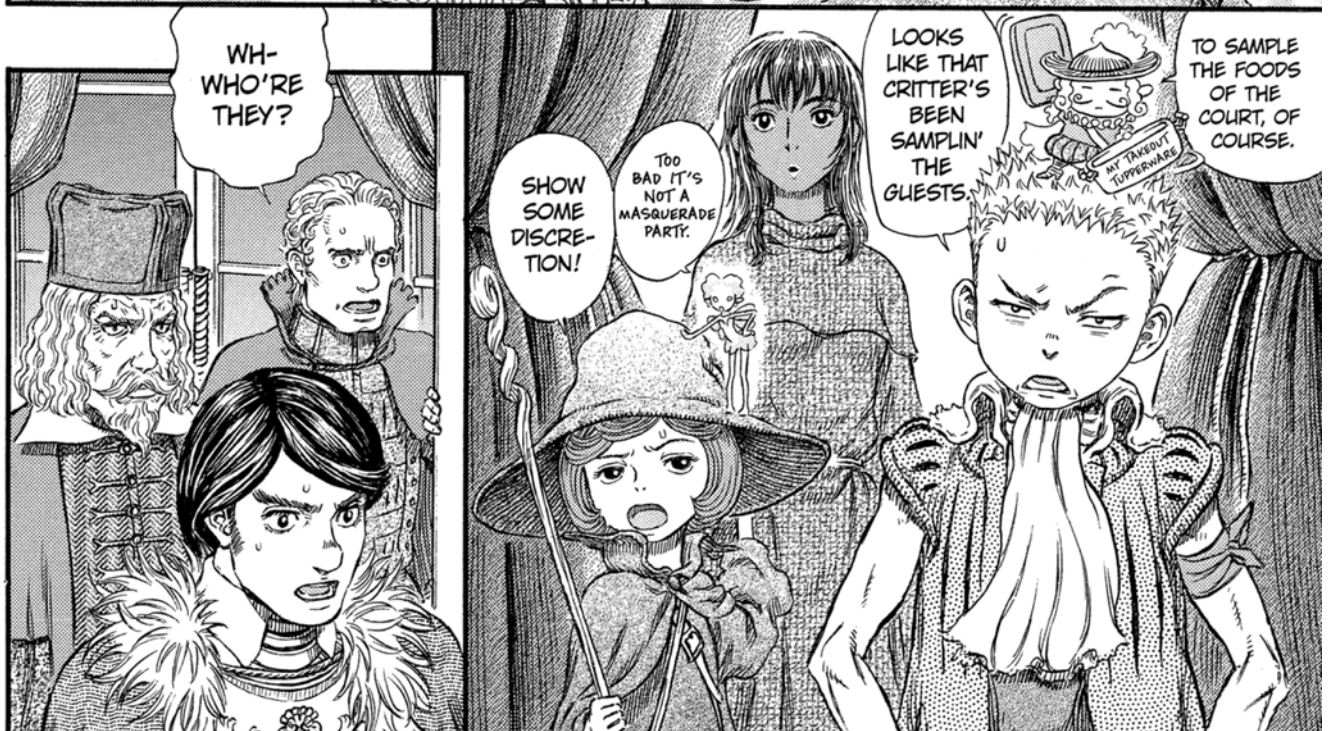
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WHY'S
EVERYONE
HERE...?!

GUTS...!!



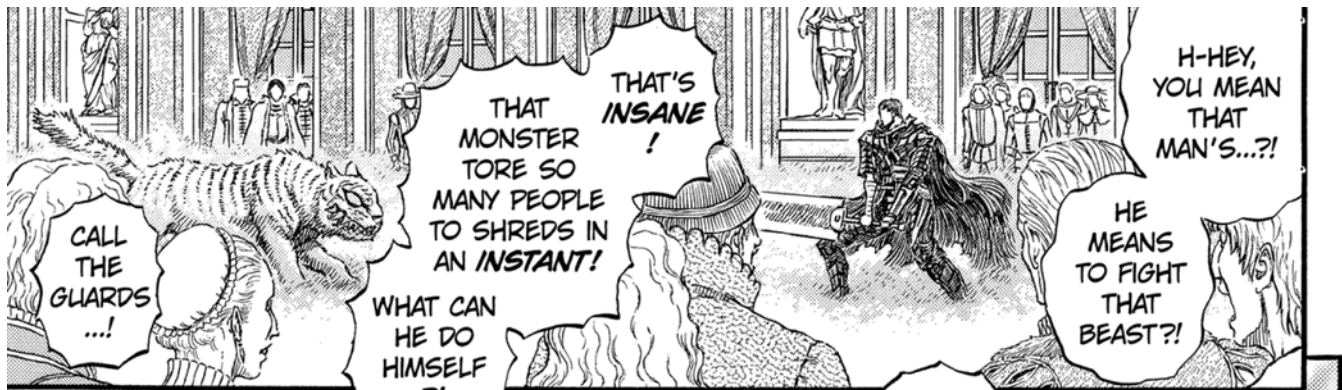
WH-
WHO'RE
THEY?

SHOW
SOME
DISCRE-
TION!

TOO
BAD IT'S
NOT A
MASQUERADE
PARTY.

LOOKS
LIKE THAT
CRITTER'S
BEEN
SAMPLIN'
THE
GUESTS.

TO SAMPLE
THE FOODS
OF THE
COURT, OF
COURSE.



CALL THE GUARDS ...!

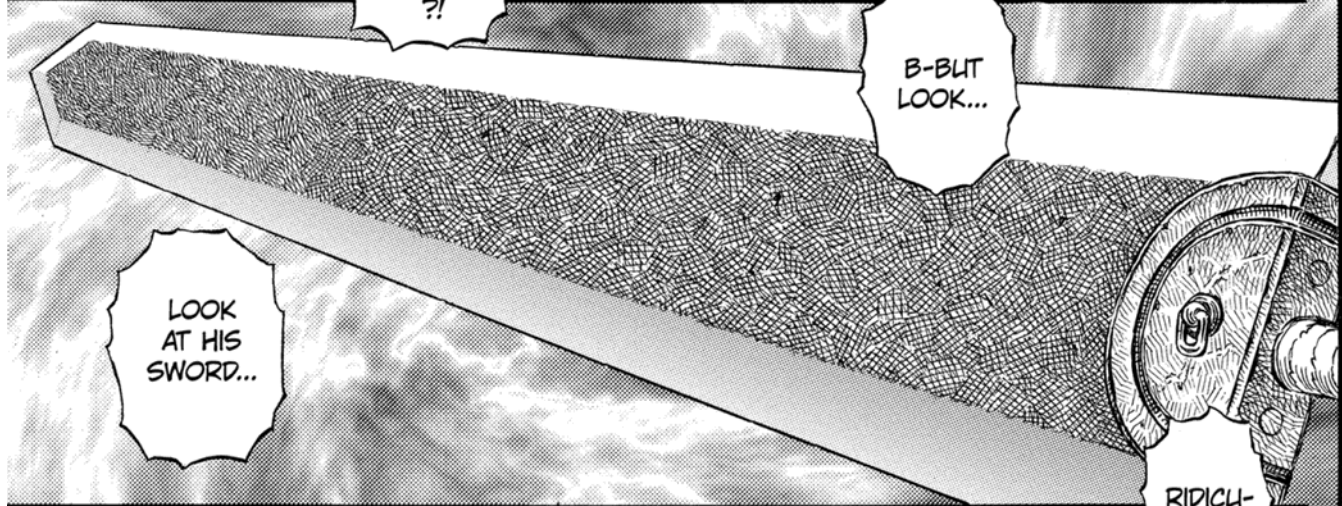
THAT MONSTER TORE SO MANY PEOPLE TO SHREDS IN AN *INSTANT*!

THAT'S *INSANE* !

WHAT CAN HE DO HIMSELF ?!

H-HEY, YOU MEAN THAT MAN'S...?!

HE MEANS TO FIGHT THAT BEAST?!



B-BUT LOOK...

LOOK AT HIS SWORD...

RIDICU- LOUS!



BUT WITH THAT SWORD, JUST MAYBE...

NO MAN COULD WIELD A SWORD *THAT* LARGE!



*FX: GORLLLL

WHERE HAVE I...?

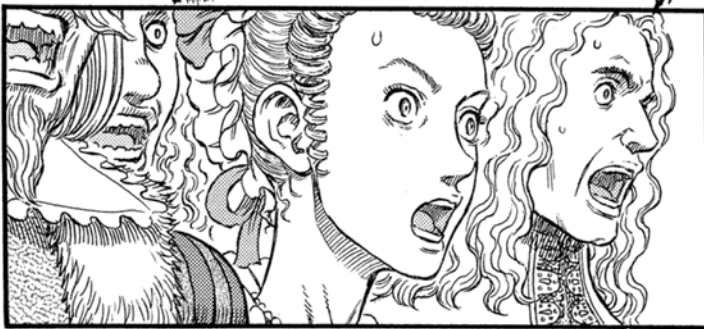
THAT MAN...

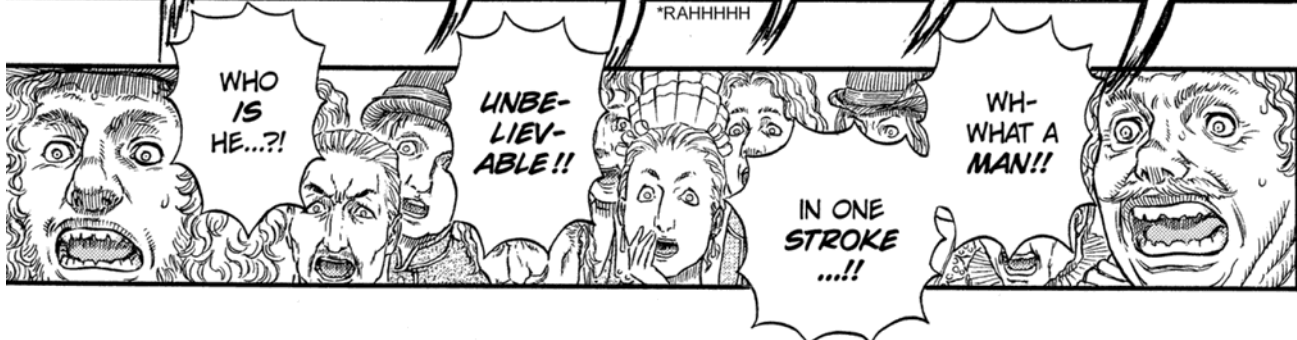
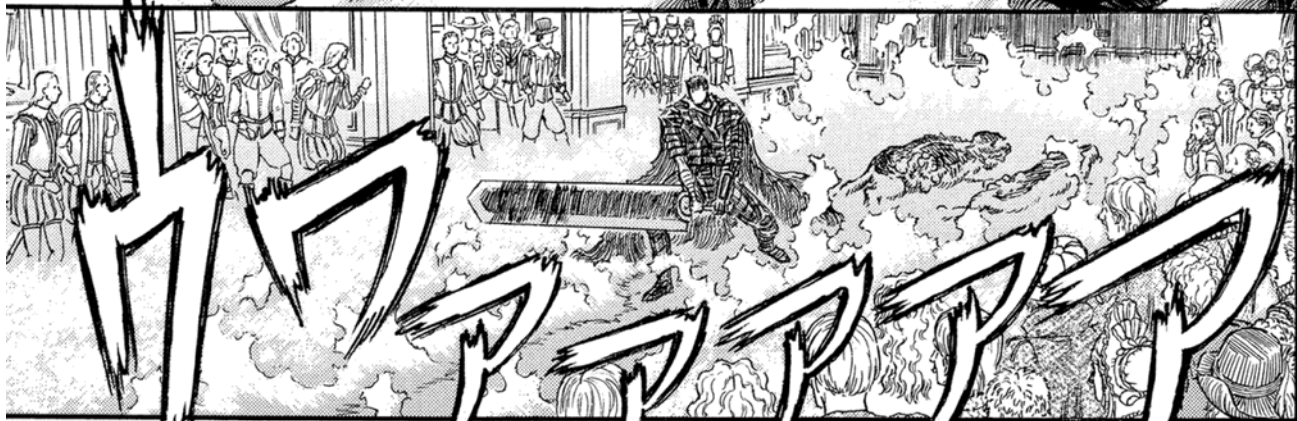
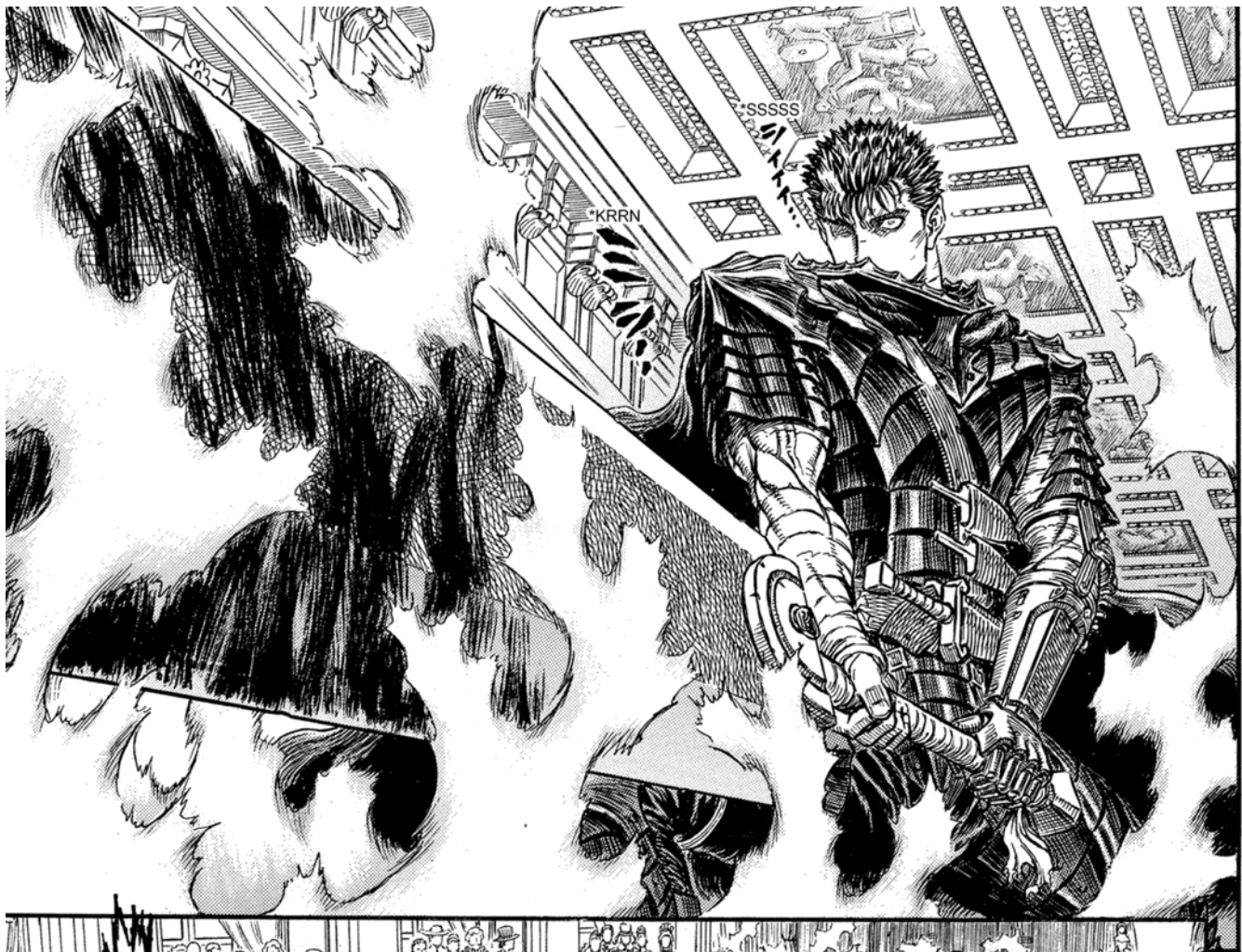
.....!



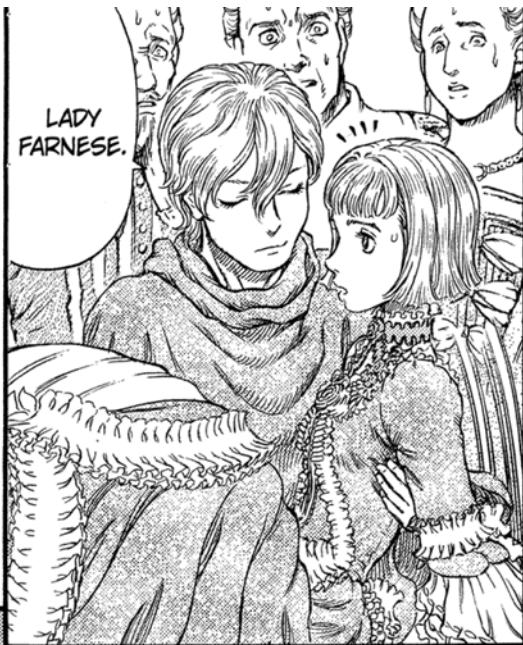


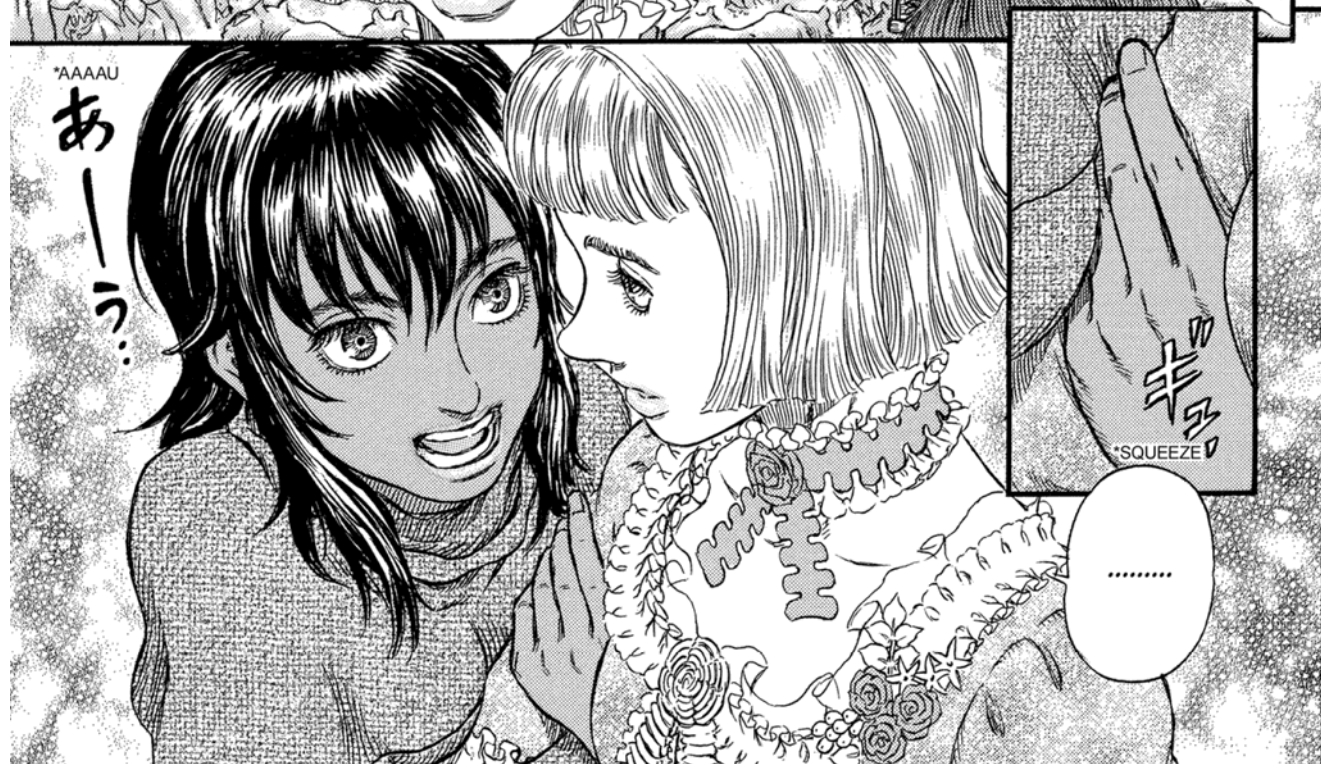
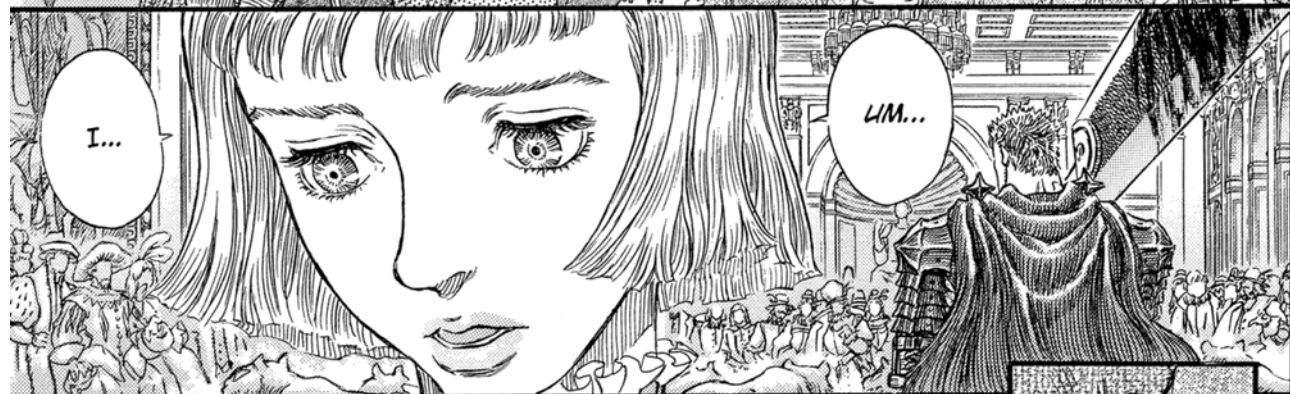
*FX: BDOOSH DOOSH

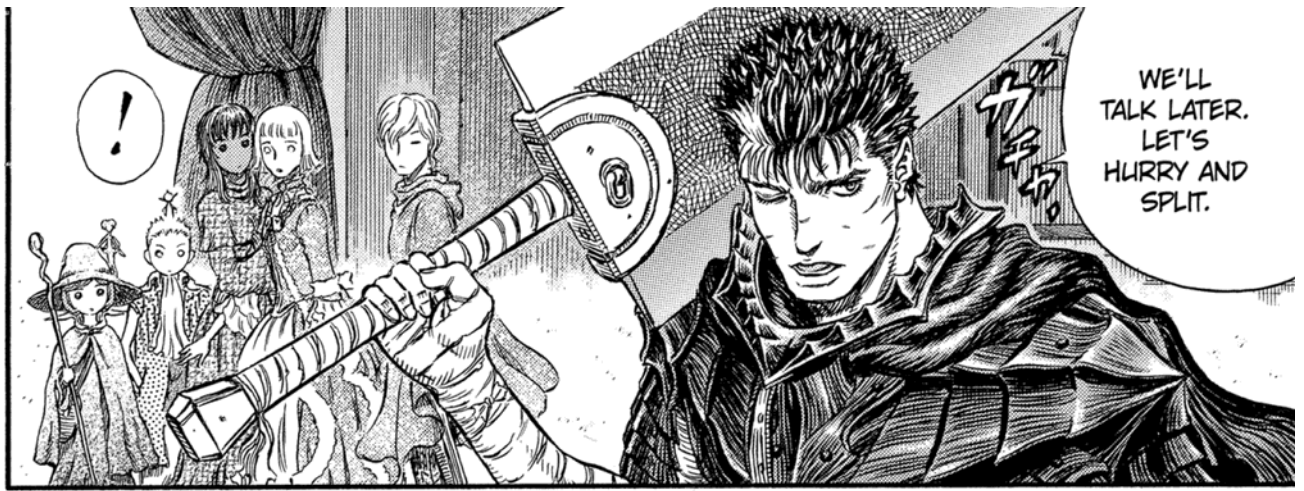




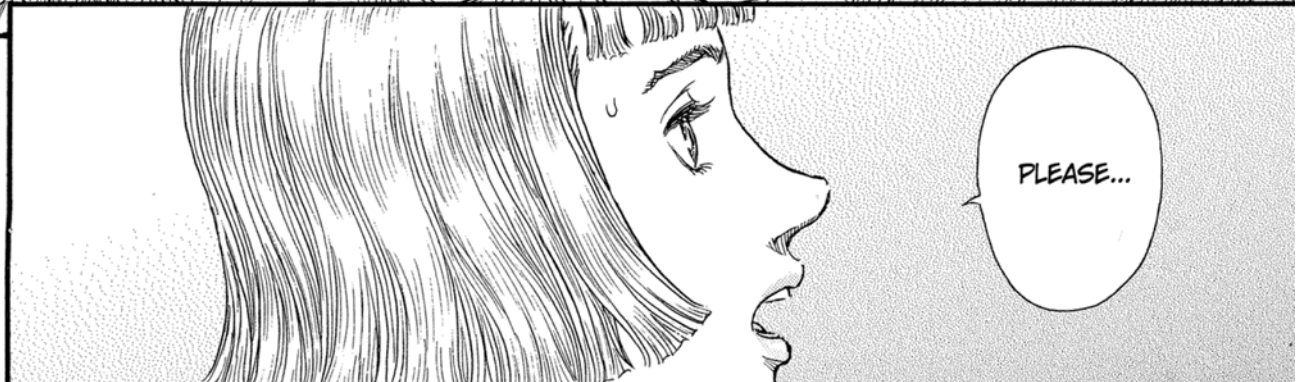
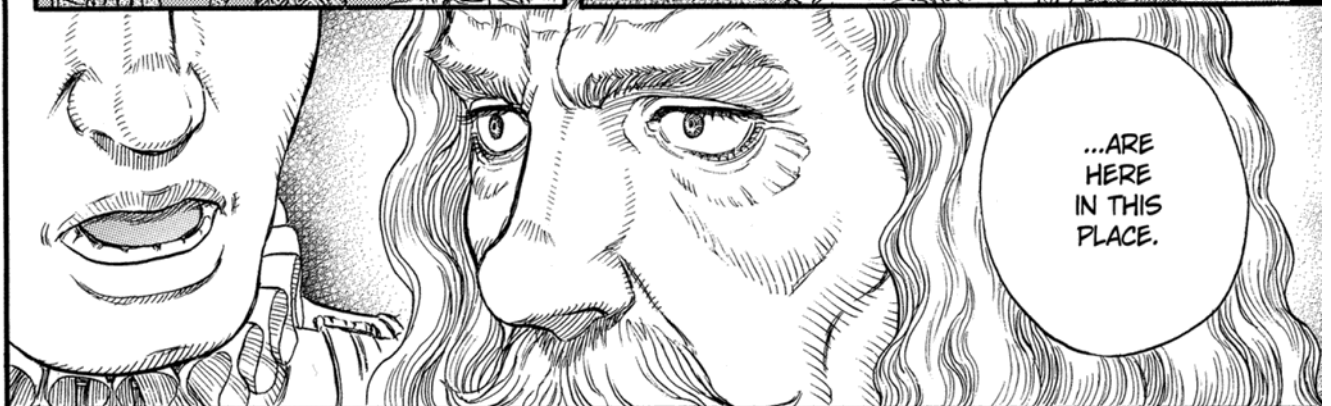
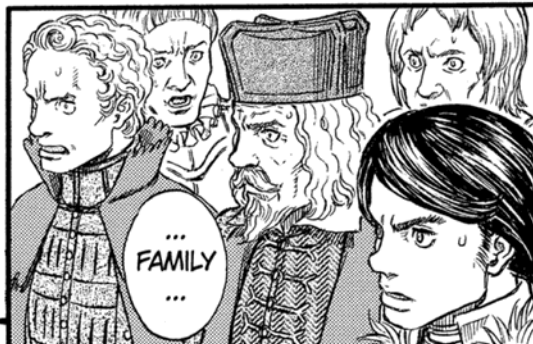
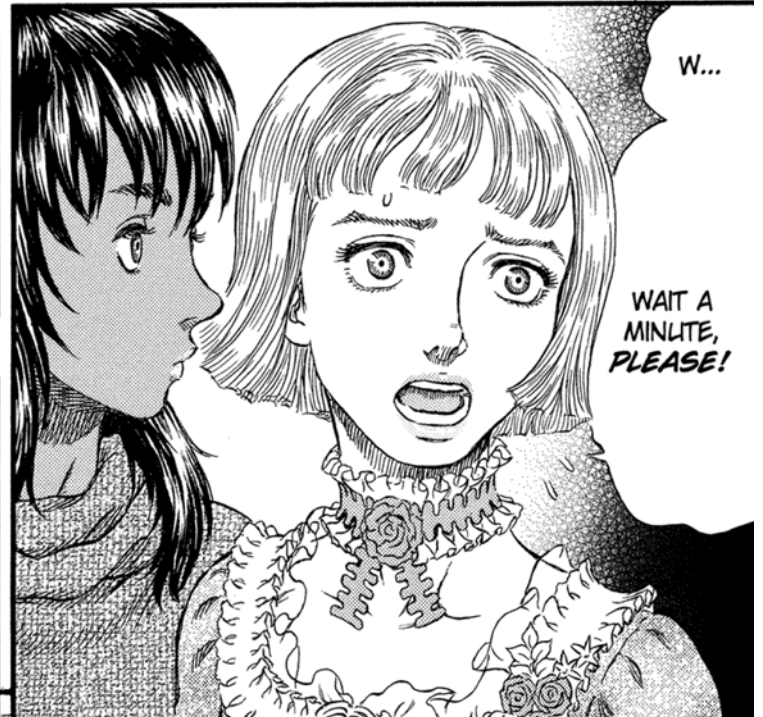


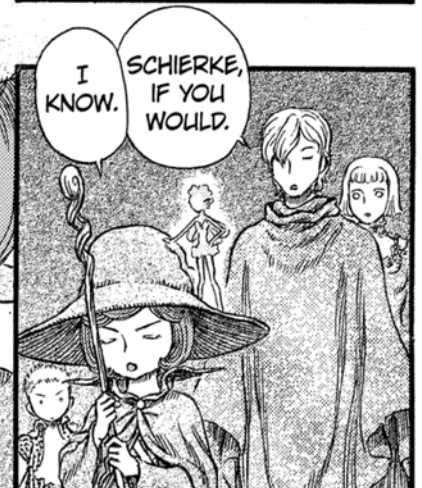
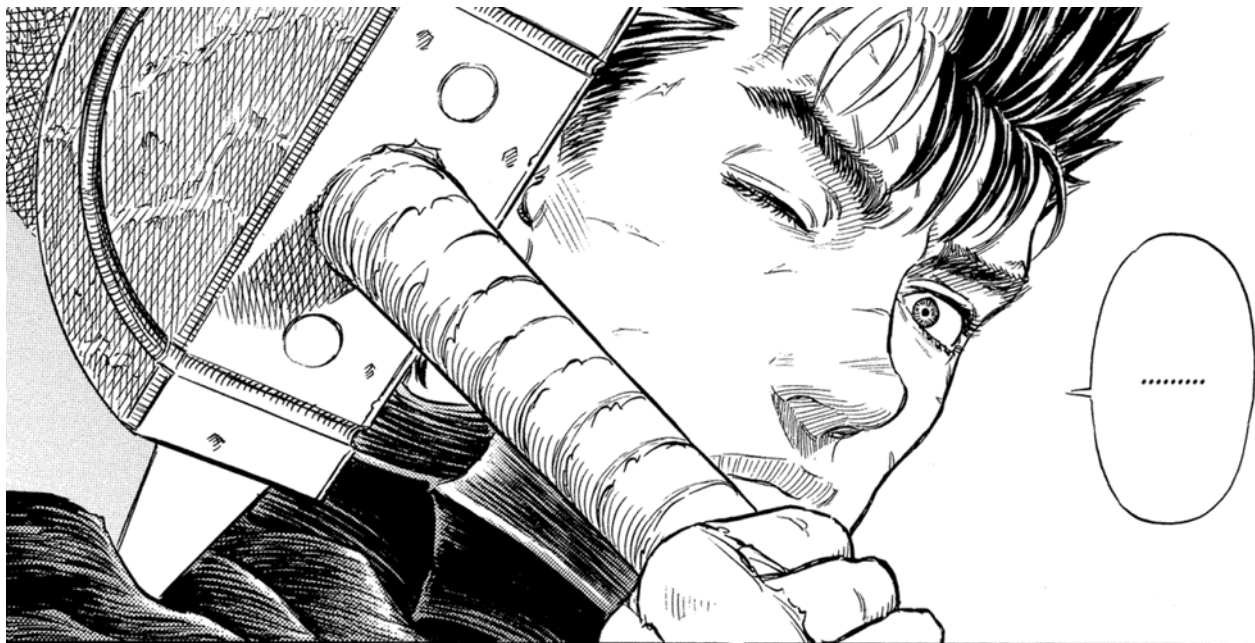






*FX: GCHAK

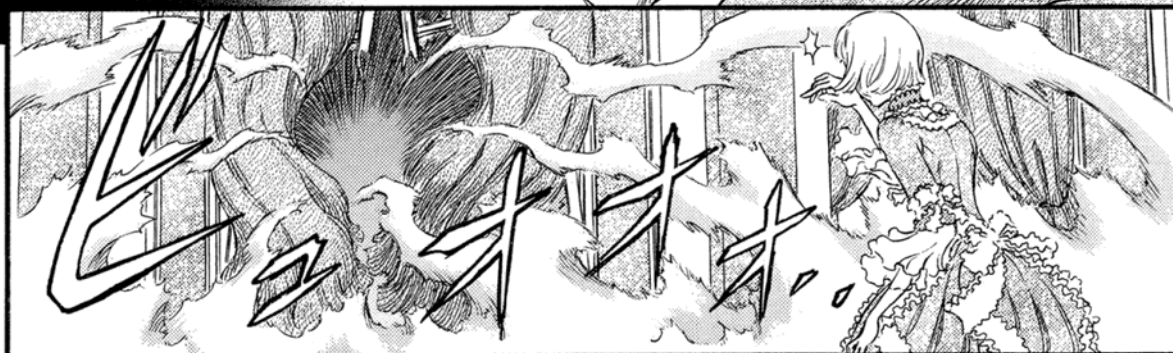






...AND
THEN
RETURN.

I WILL
FINISH
QUICKLY...



*FX: WHORLLL

*FX: TAK

*VWASH

*FX: TMP



*GCHAK

...THIS OUGHT
TO GET ME
BACK ON MY
FEET.

WELL...







THE RUSTED BIRDCAGE

錆びた鳥籠

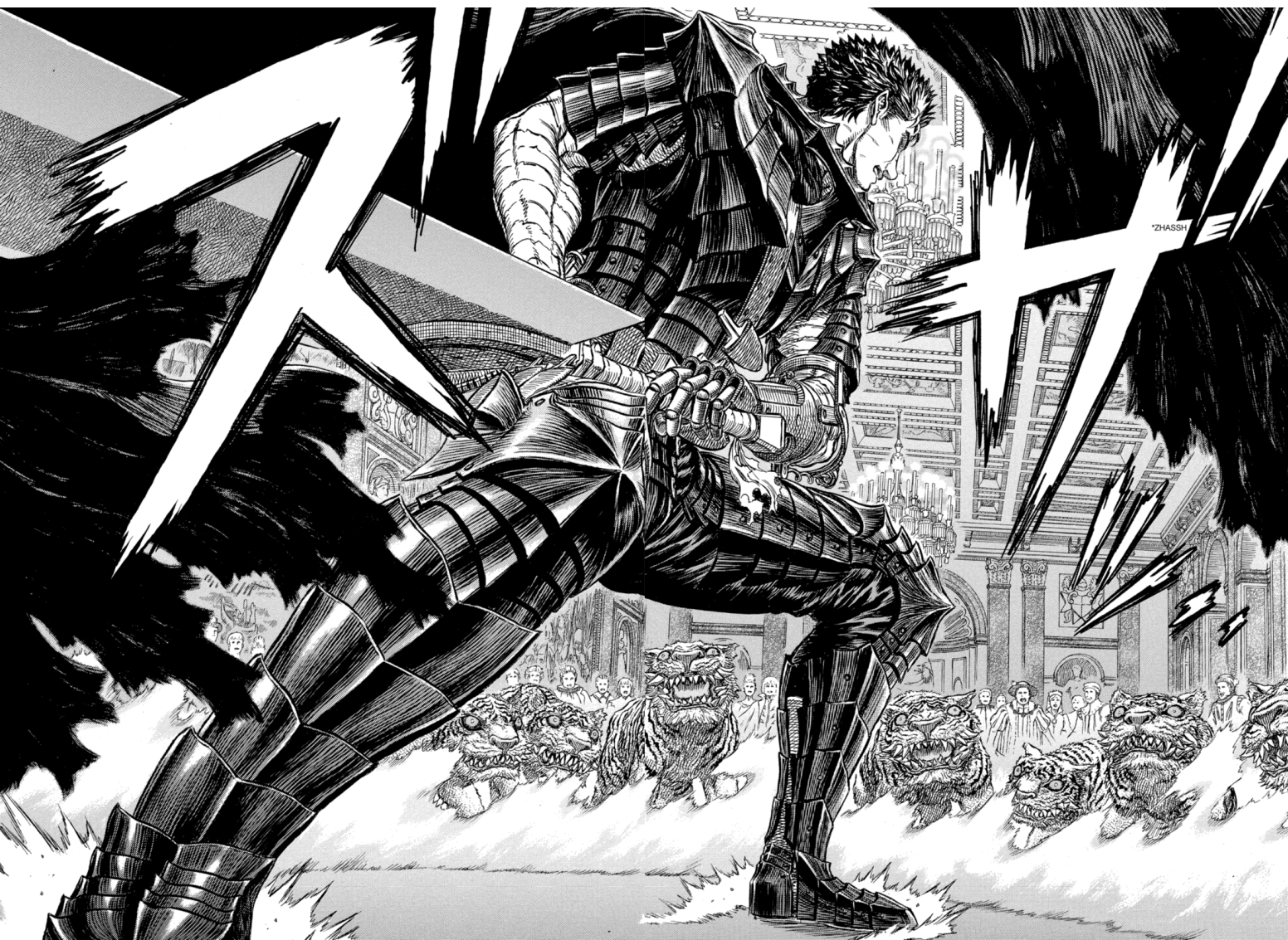
BERSERK

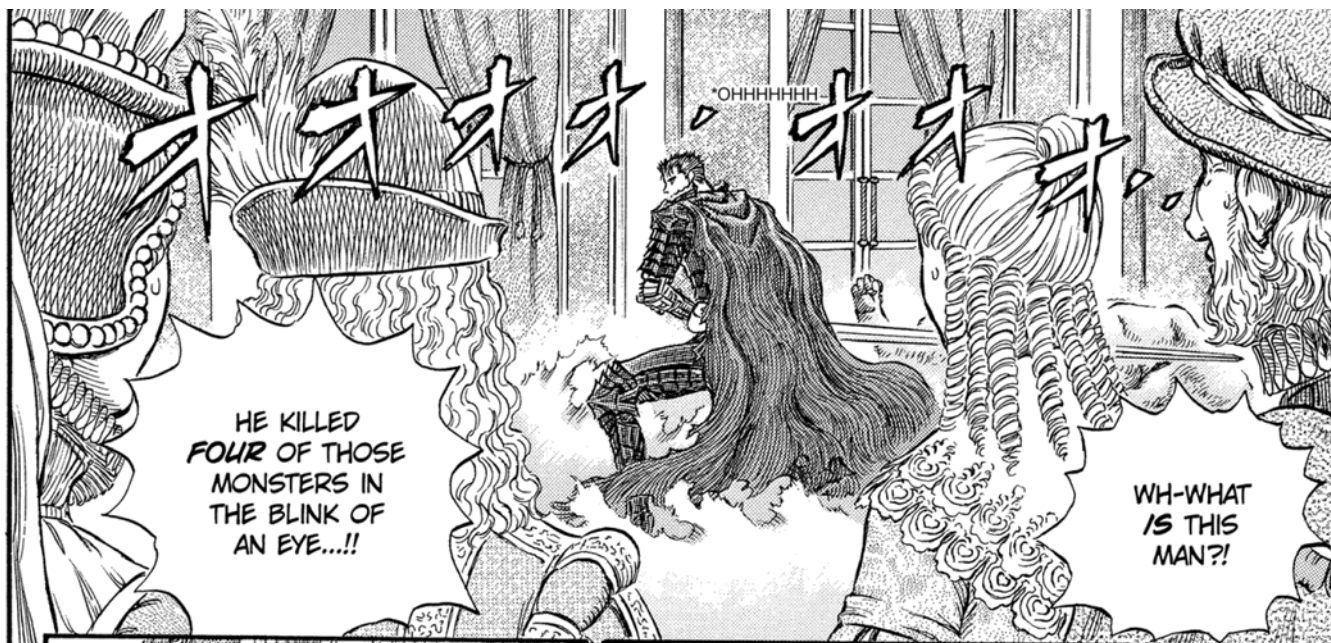


*FX: GRRRRRR

*FX: HHHHHH









HEHEH...
FEELS GOOD,
HAVIN'
ARISTOCRATS
DEPENDIN'
ON ME.

STICK TO
THE WALLS
AND STAY
PUT, IF YOU
WANNA
LIVE!

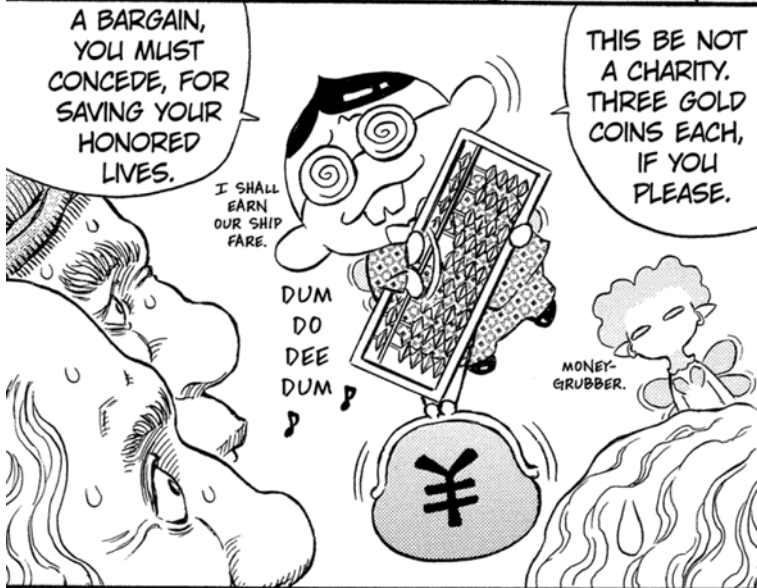
YEAH!



WH-
WHAT
WAS THAT
EXPLO-
SION?!

EE
EE
EK!!

*FX: RAWRRR



A BARGAIN,
YOU MUST
CONCEDE, FOR
SAVING YOUR
HONORED
LIVES.

I SHALL
EARN
OUR SHIP
FARE.

DUM
DO
DEE
DUM
?

THIS BE NOT
A CHARITY.
THREE GOLD
COINS EACH,
IF YOU
PLEASE.

MONEY-
GRUBBER.



HELLO
THERE,
TERRIFIED
GENTLE-
MEN.



N-NO,
SOME-
THING
DOESN'T
SEEM
RIGHT...

MONEY,
MONEY,
MORE
MONEY.

AN
ADMISSION
FEE OF ONE
SILVER COIN
EACH, GOOD
PEOPLE.

F-FAIRIES?!

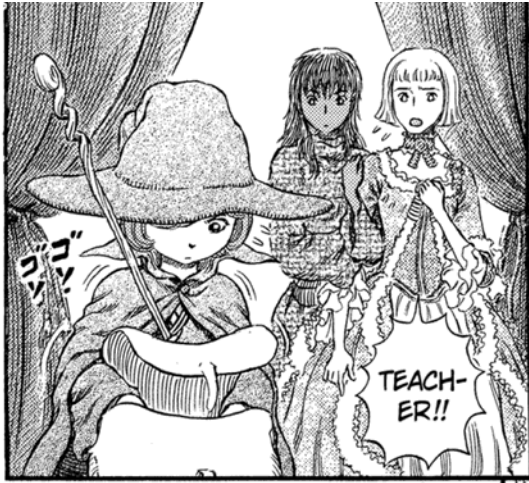
SHAKI
SHAKI
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AREN'T
27

EEEE,
HOW
CUTE!

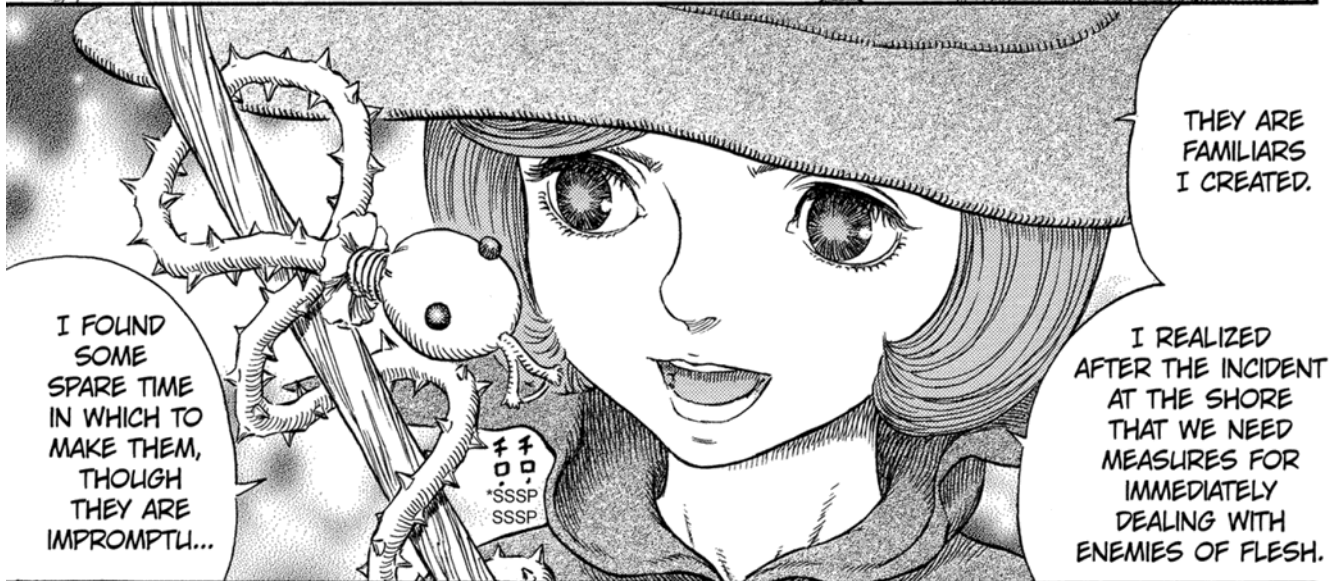
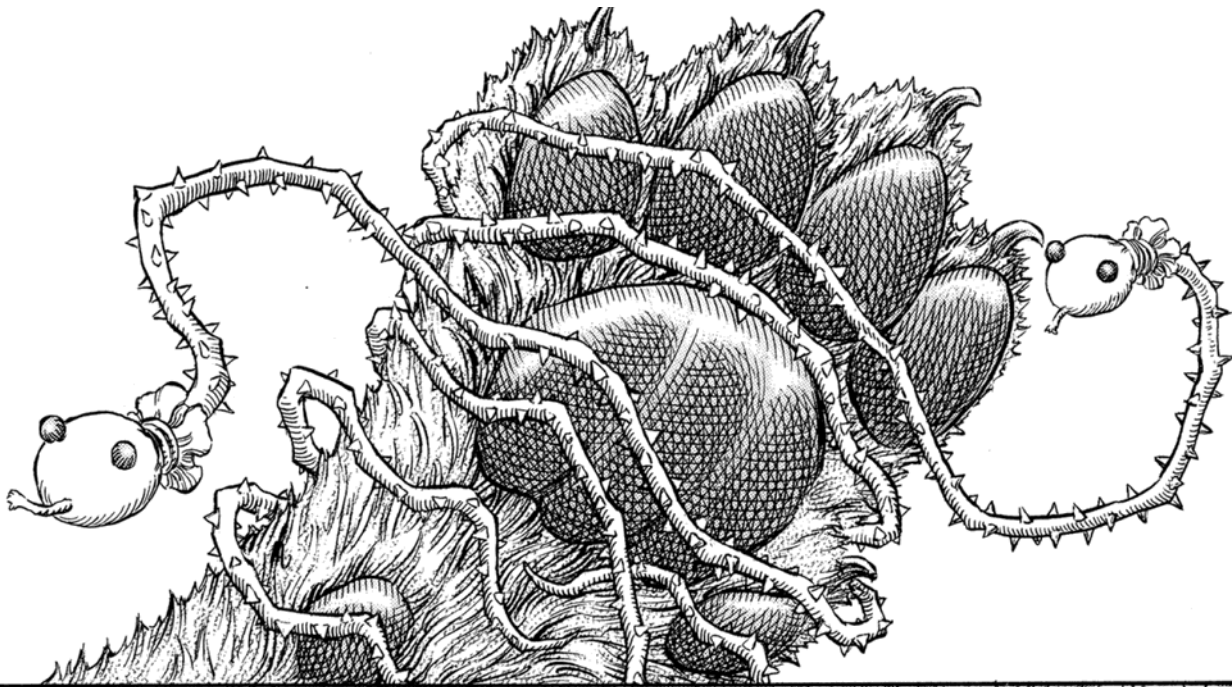
WHAT?!
HEY, ARE
THESE...

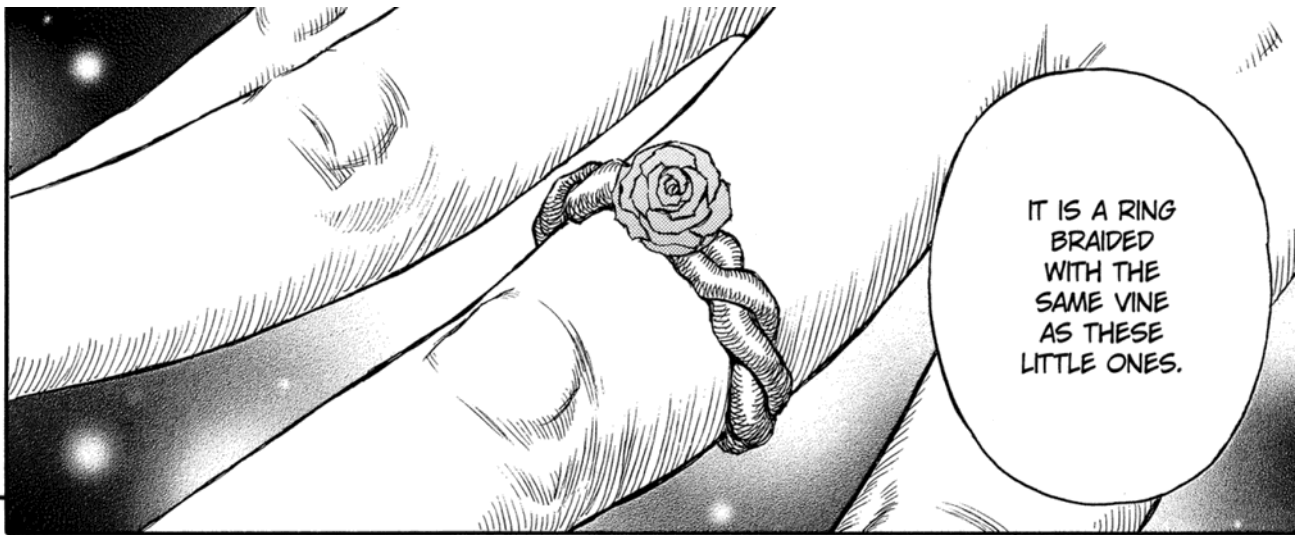
...
FAIRIES
?!



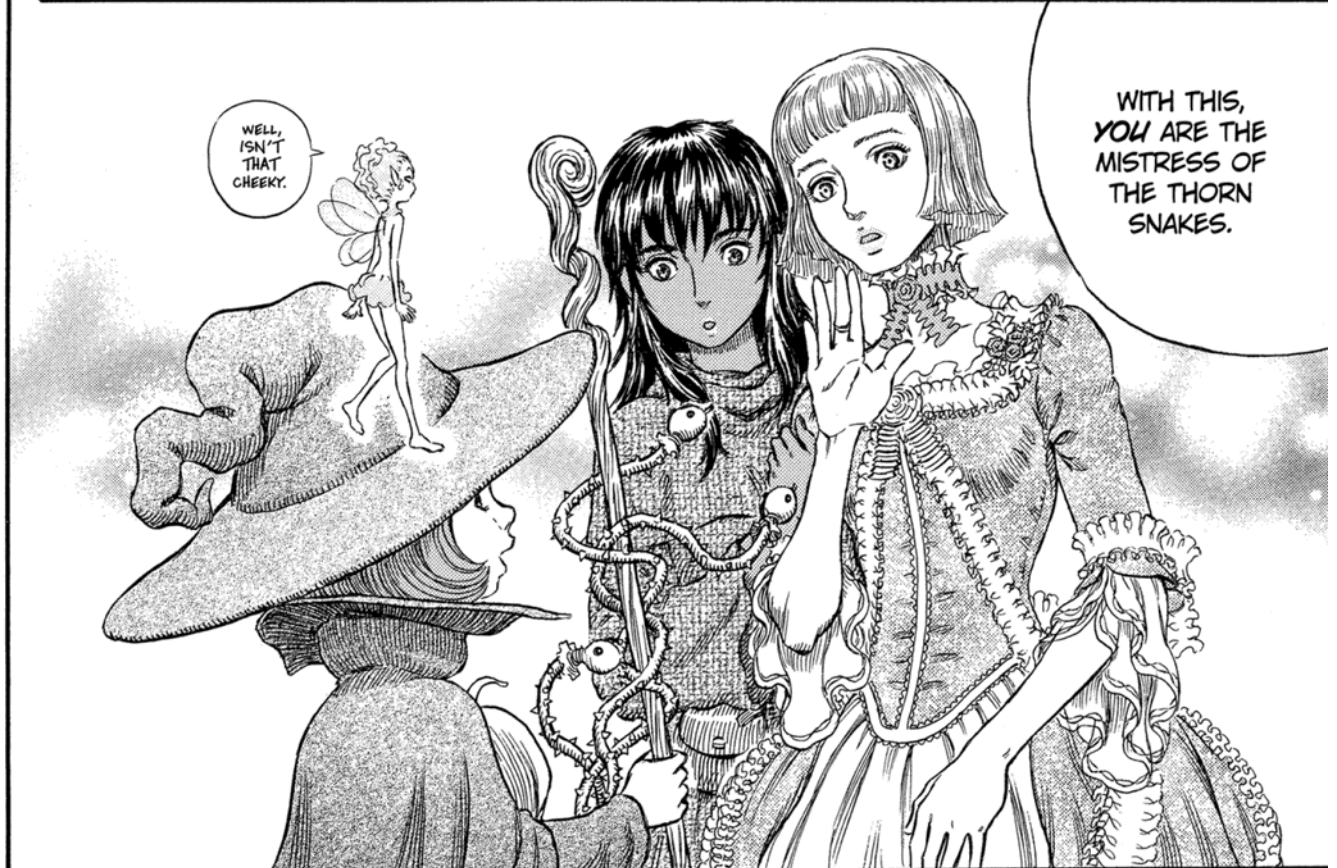
*FX: RUMMAGE





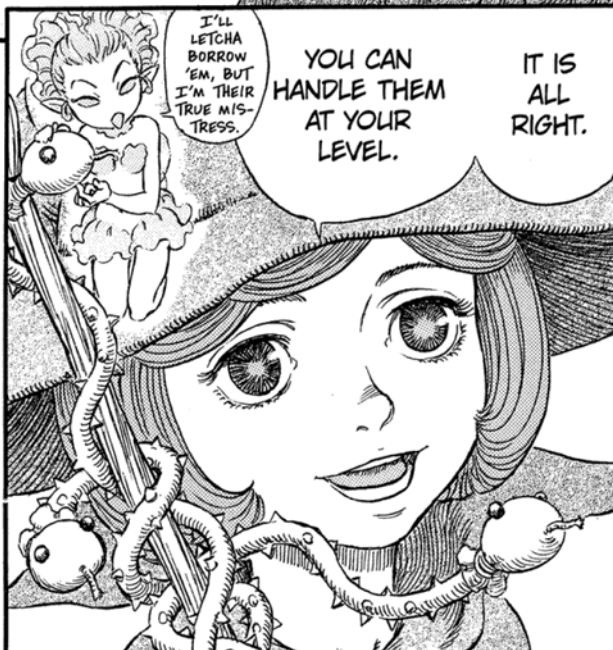


IT IS A RING
BRAIDED
WITH THE
SAME VINE
AS THESE
LITTLE ONES.



WELL,
ISN'T
THAT
CHEEKY.

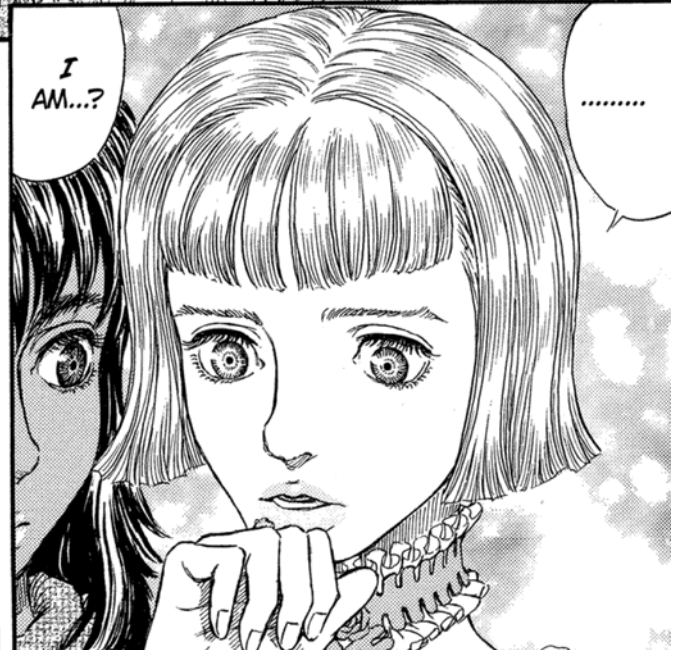
WITH THIS,
YOU ARE THE
MISTRESS OF
THE THORN
SNAKES.



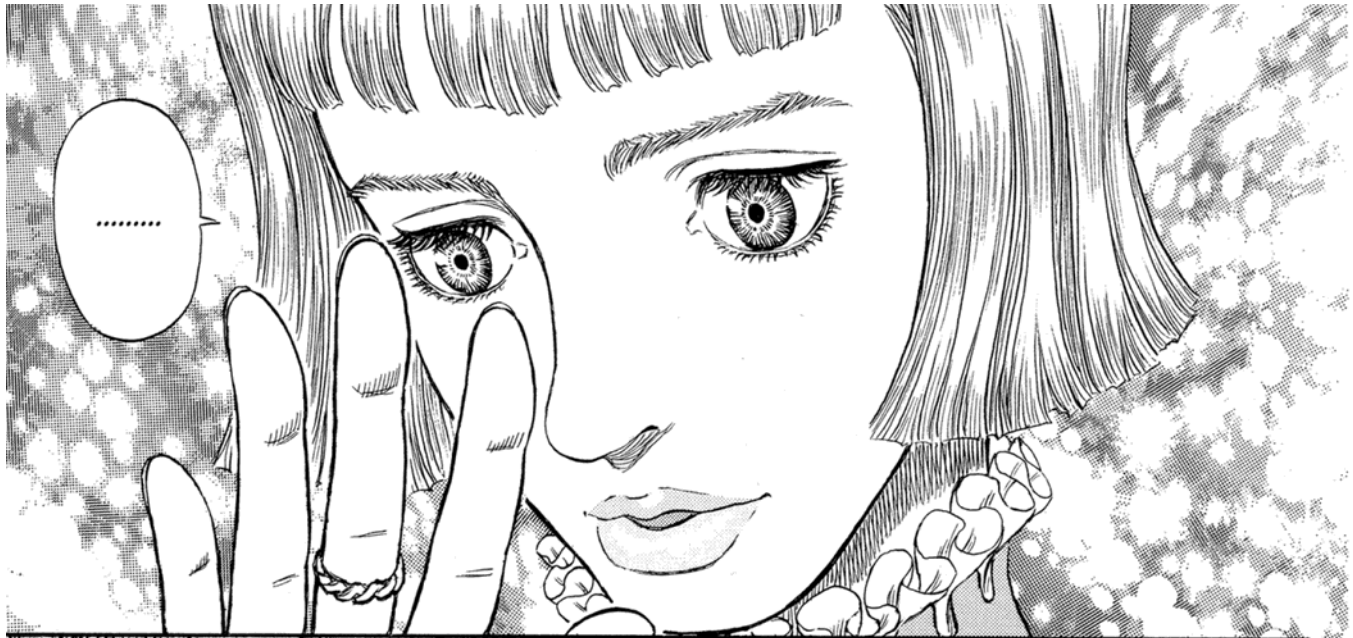
I'LL
LETTCHA
BORROW
'EM, BUT
I'M THEIR
TRUE MIS-
TRESS.

YOU CAN
HANDLE THEM
AT YOUR
LEVEL.

IT IS
ALL
RIGHT.



I
AM...?

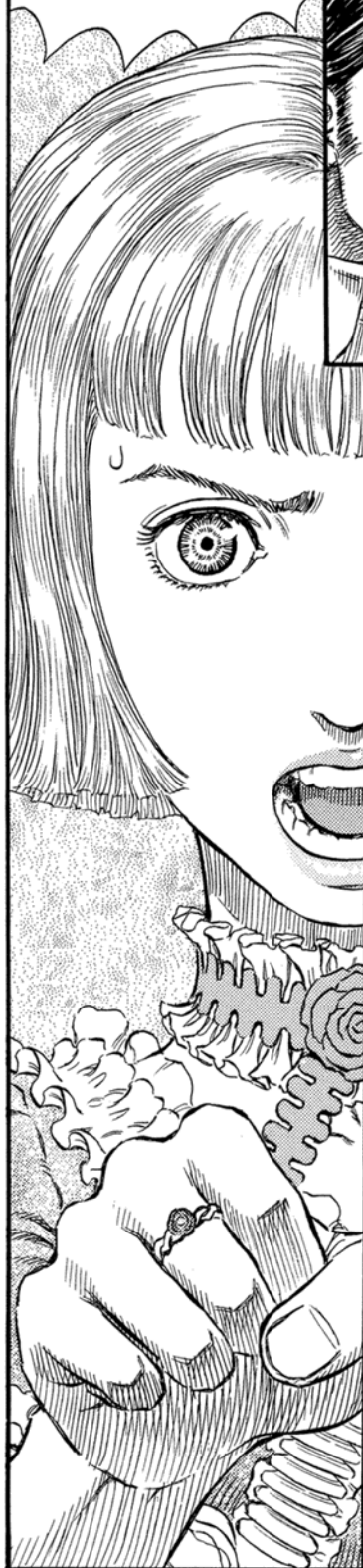






PLEASE
USE SILVER...
A SILVER
WEAPON
AGAINST THAT
MONSTER,
RODERICK!

FARNESE.
YOU DID
THAT?!

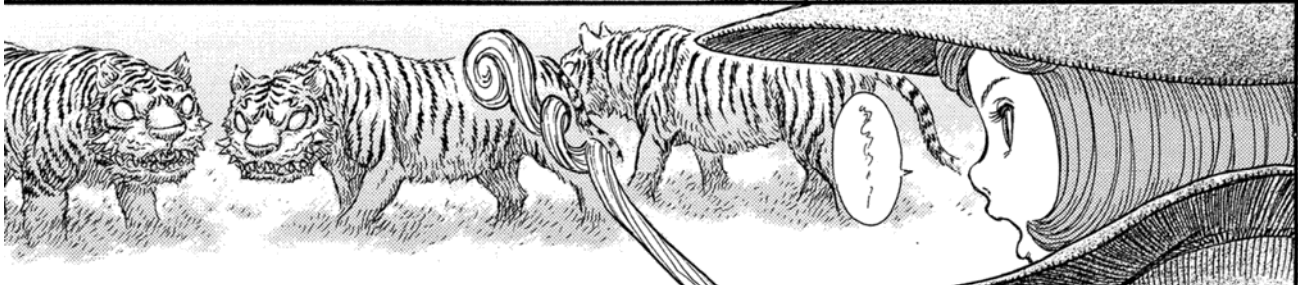
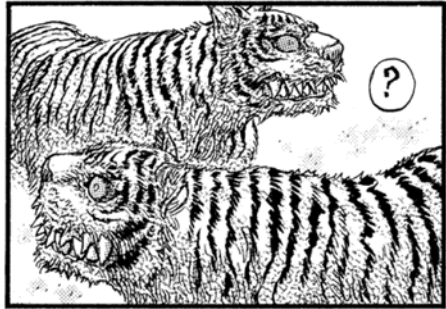


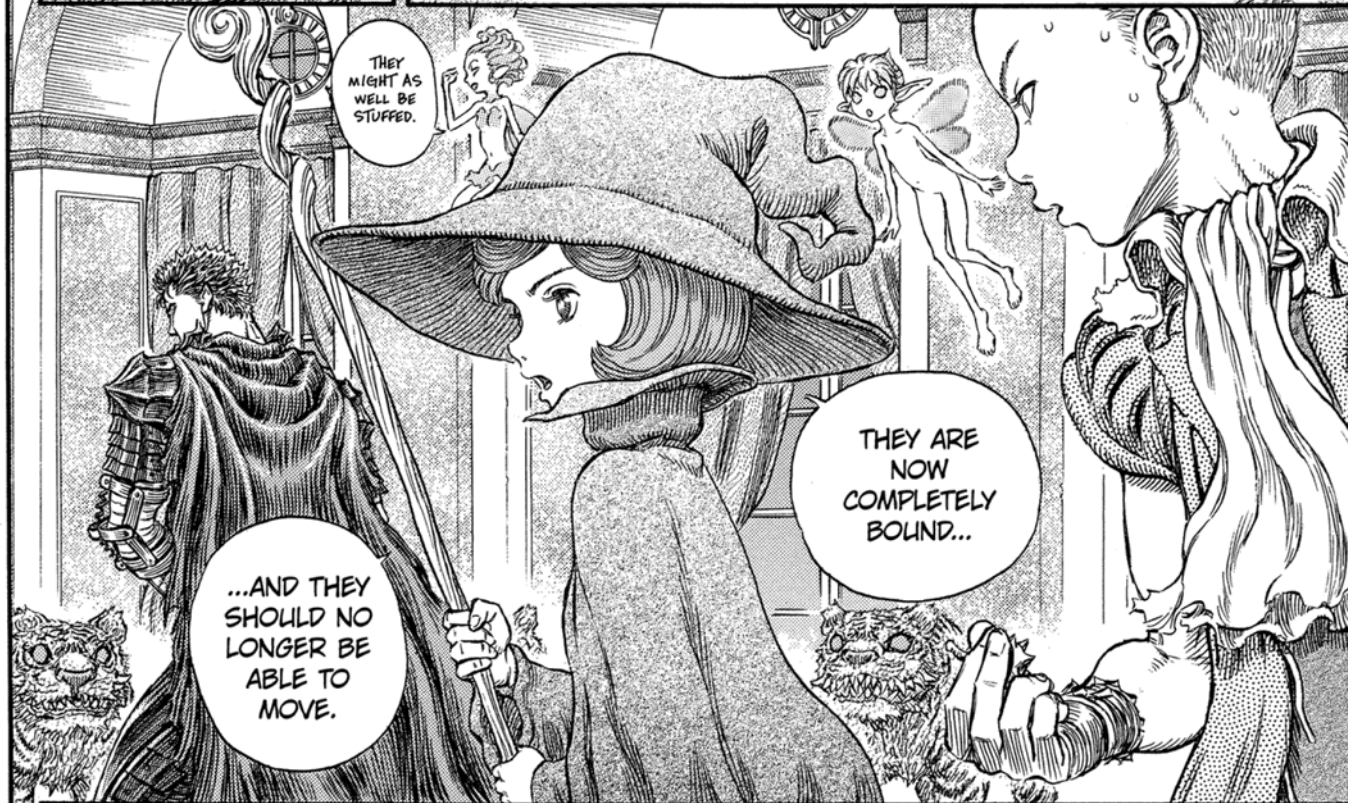
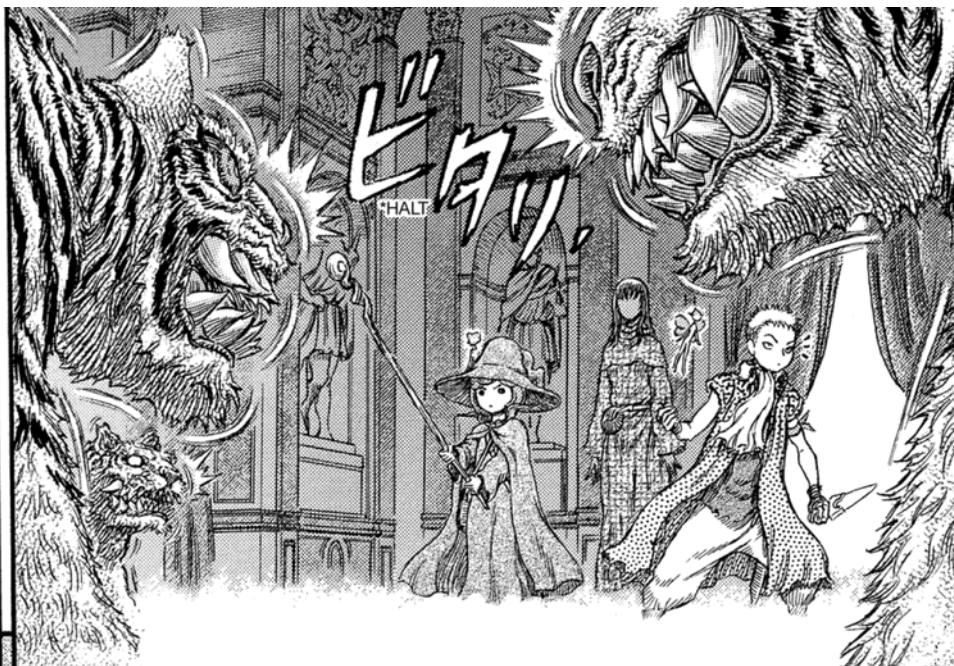






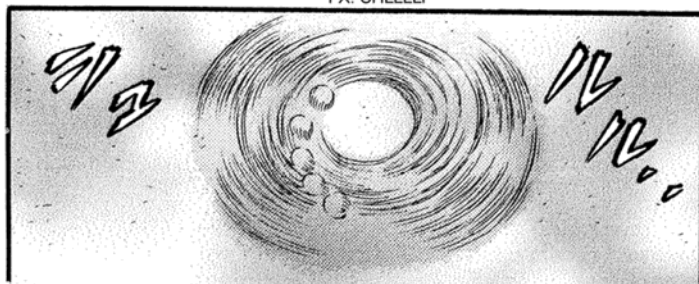
*FX: GRRRR





*FX: SHF SHF

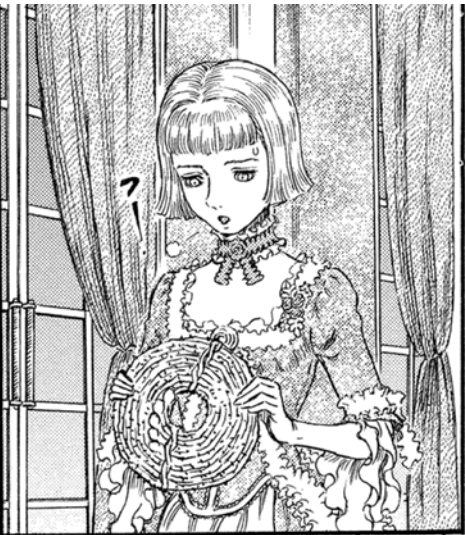
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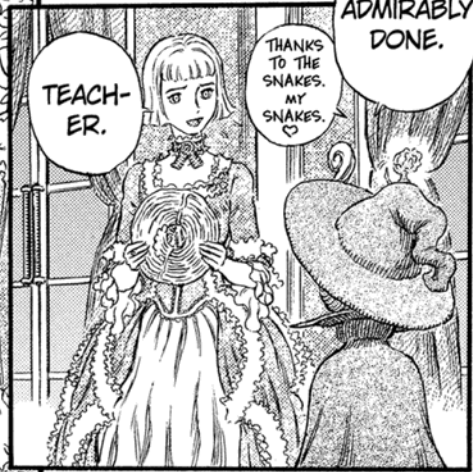


*RAHHH

*RAHHH



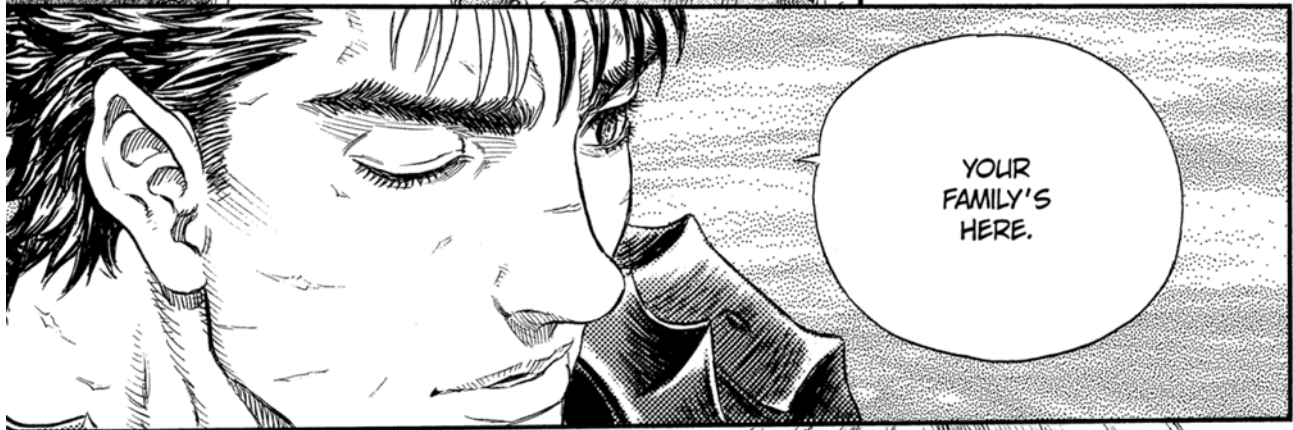
*FX: WHEHHH



TEACH-
ER.

THANKS
TO THE
SNAKES.
MY
SNAKES.
♡

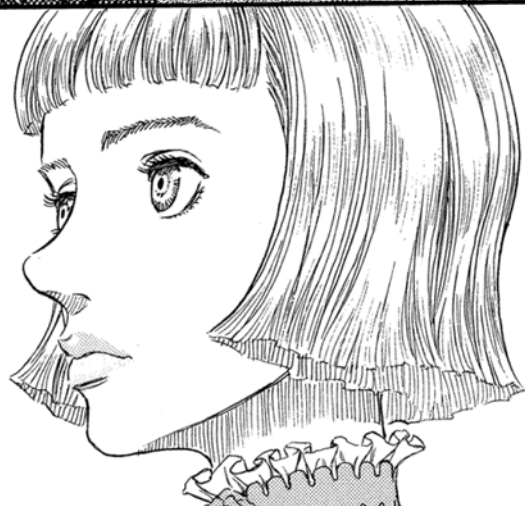
ADMIRABLY
DONE.



YOUR
FAMILY'S
HERE.

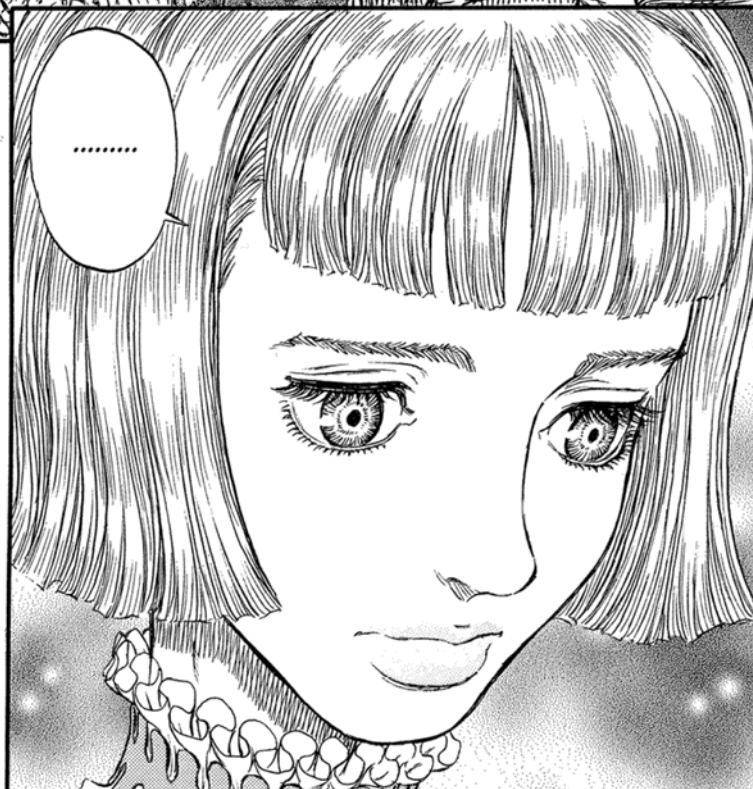


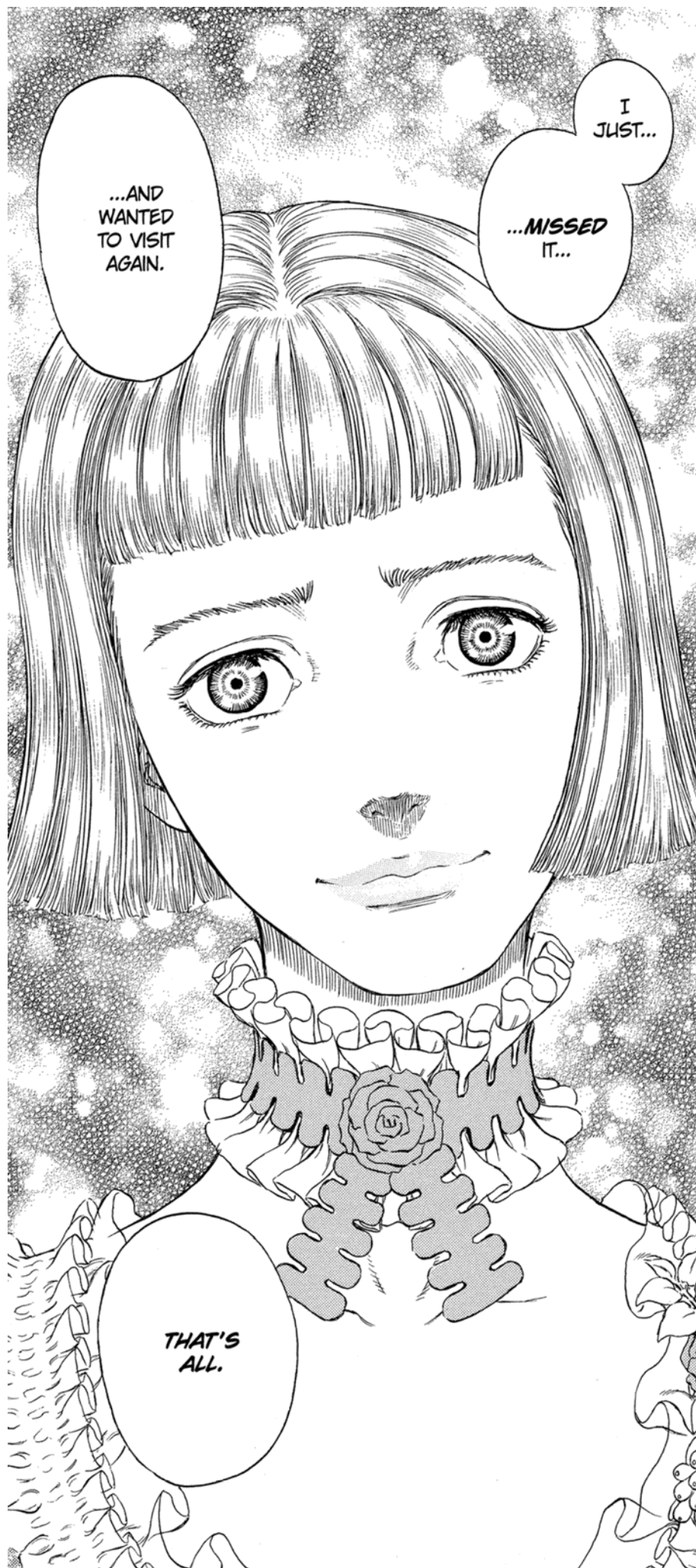
IT'S THE
ARISTOCRATIC
WORLD YOU
KNOW.





*FX: WHSSSS





...AND
WANTED
TO VISIT
AGAIN.

I
JUST...

...MISSED
IT...

THAT'S
ALL.



WITHIN
THIS
CAGE OF
STONE...

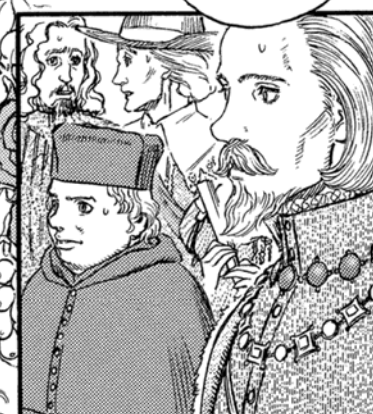


...I
FINALLY
REALIZED
...



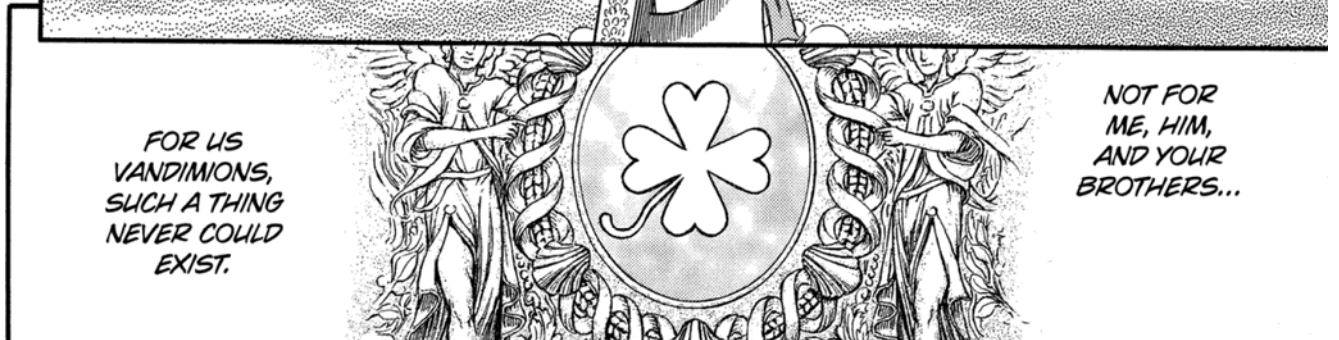
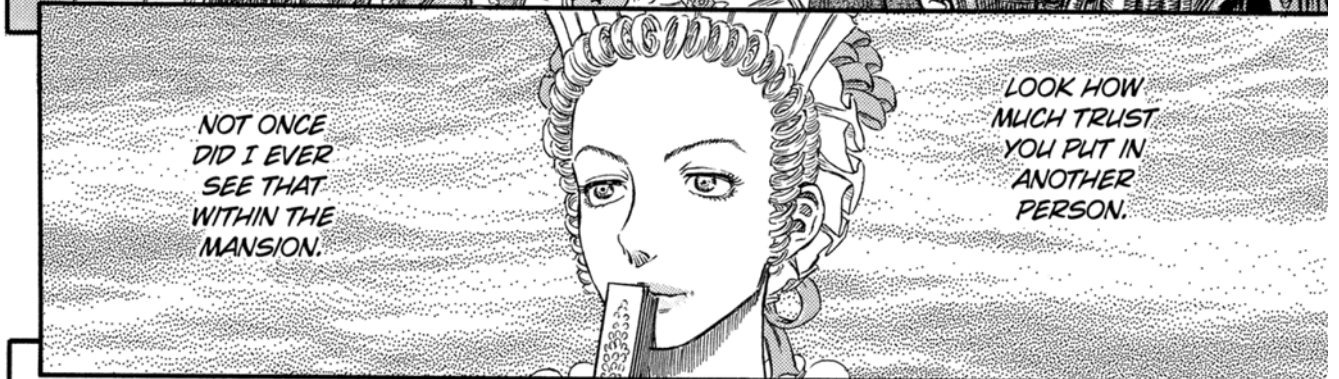
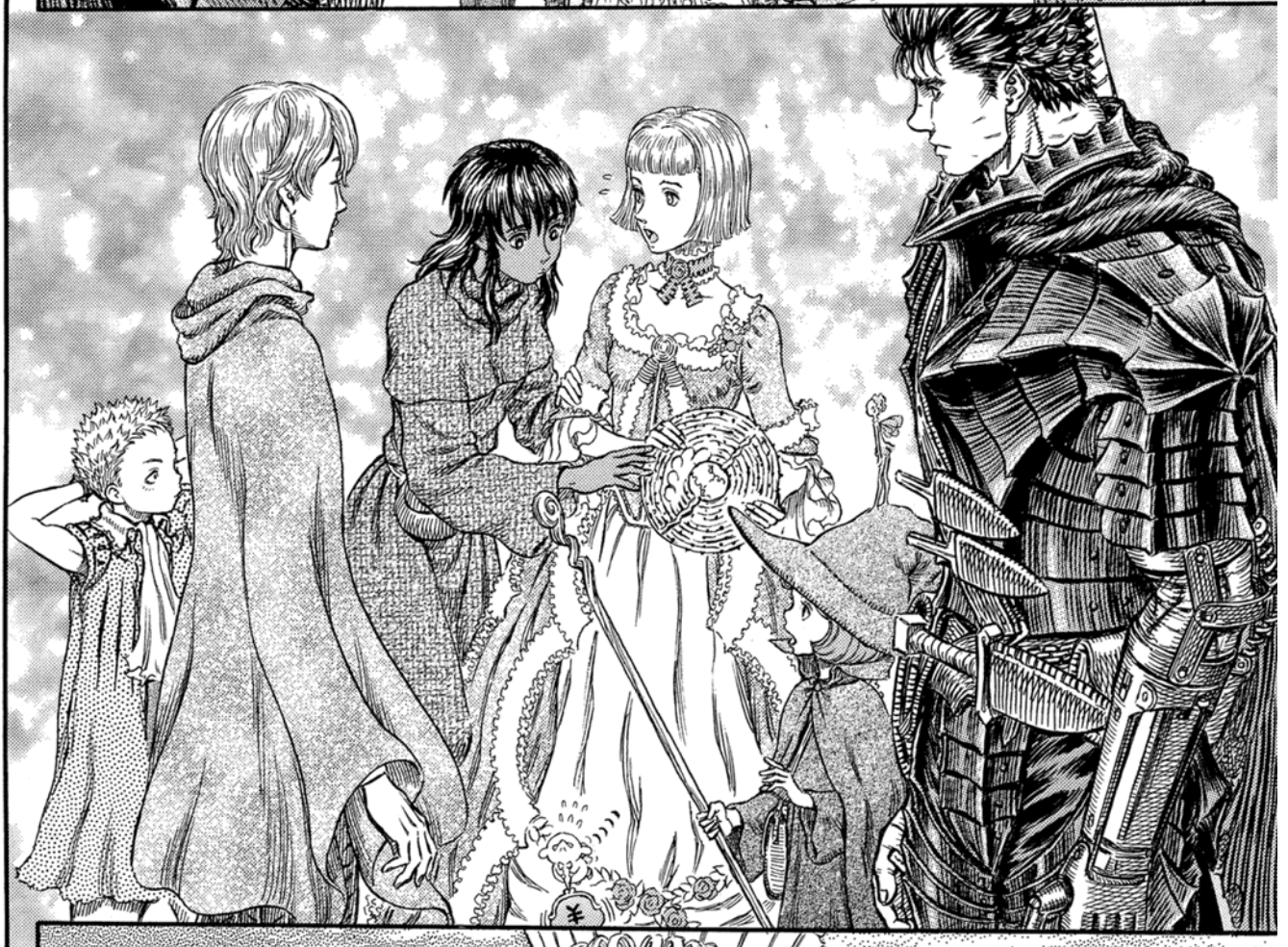
...THIS
ISN'T THE
PLACE TO
WHICH I
WISH TO
RETURN.

IT'S SIMPLY
WHERE MY
JOURNEY
BEGAN
LONG AGO.



A PROCLAMATION OF WAR
宣戰布告

BERSERK



A BLESSING
THAT ONLY
A LITHE
SOUL IN
DISREGARD
OF HER
FAMILIAL
YOKE COULD
BRING
ABOUT.

NO ONE
EVER PAID
YOU ANY
HEED,
AND BEING
RAISED IN
SOLITUDE,
YOU WON IT
THROUGH
THE POWER
OF YOUR
DESIRE.

I'M
A LITTLE
ENVILOUS.

THIS IS
GETTIN'
COMPLI-
CATED.

WHAT
SHALL
WE DO
NOW?

SAY
WHAT? IS
THIS THE
THANKS
WE GET?

*SUCK
F*

HOW
RUDE!
KICK
THEIR
BUTTS!

WHEWWW



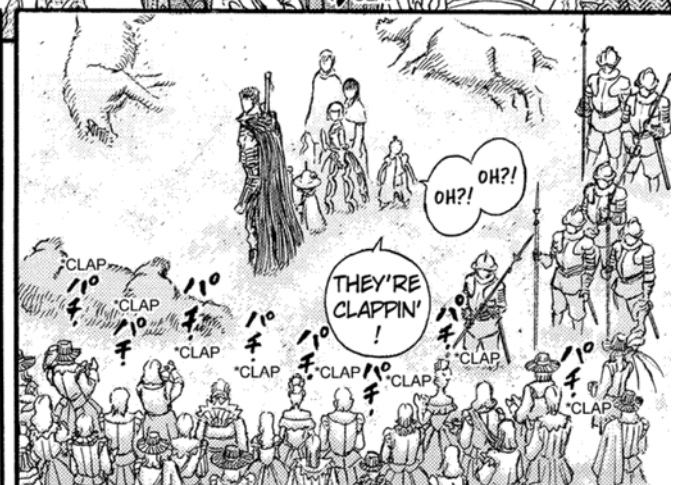
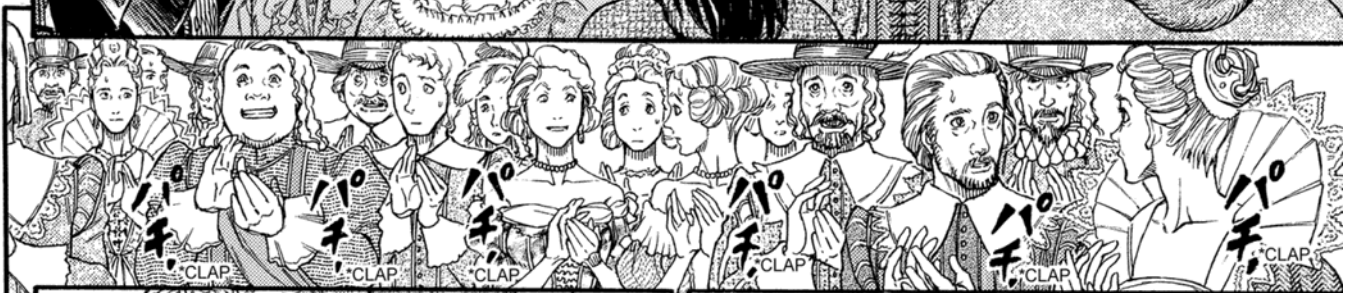
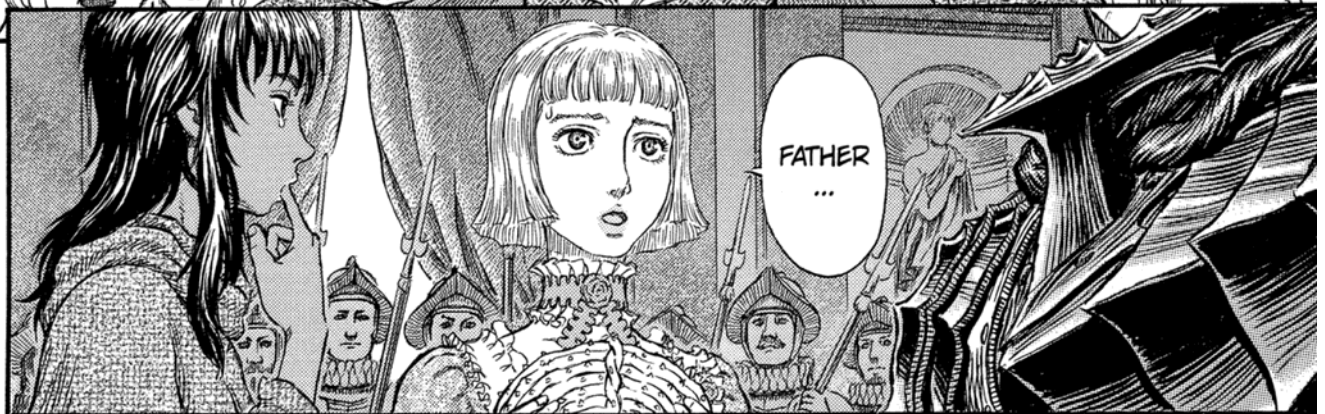
*FX: GCHAK GCHAK



*SHANG



WAIT.





...OF THIS PARTY, AND MURDER THE PERSONAGES OF EACH NATION.

IT HARDLY SEEMS FALSE TO ME TO DEEM THESE UGLY CREATURES WAR BEASTS SENT BY THE KUSHAN IN A SCHEME TO TAKE ADVANTAGE...

THESE REPULSIVE MONSTROSITIES THIS EVENING...



WHAT IS YOUR VIEW ON *THESE* THINGS...?

TH- THESE ...

SURELY, SILVER COINS AREN'T WHAT THEY USED TO BE.

CHOMP
かじ



AH, YES...

THAT DOES MAKE SENSE.

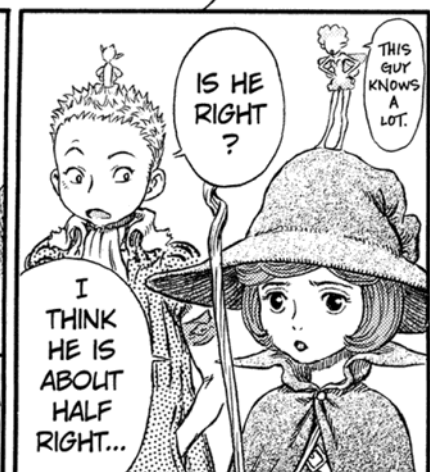
I HAVE HEARD THEY ARE SAVAGES WHO PREFER TO USE **BEASTS** IN BATTLE. PERHAPS THESE WERE BORN OF SOME SECRET ART OF CROSSBREEDING OR DRUG USE.



WAR BEASTS... BUT SUCH QUEER BEASTS AS THESE ...?



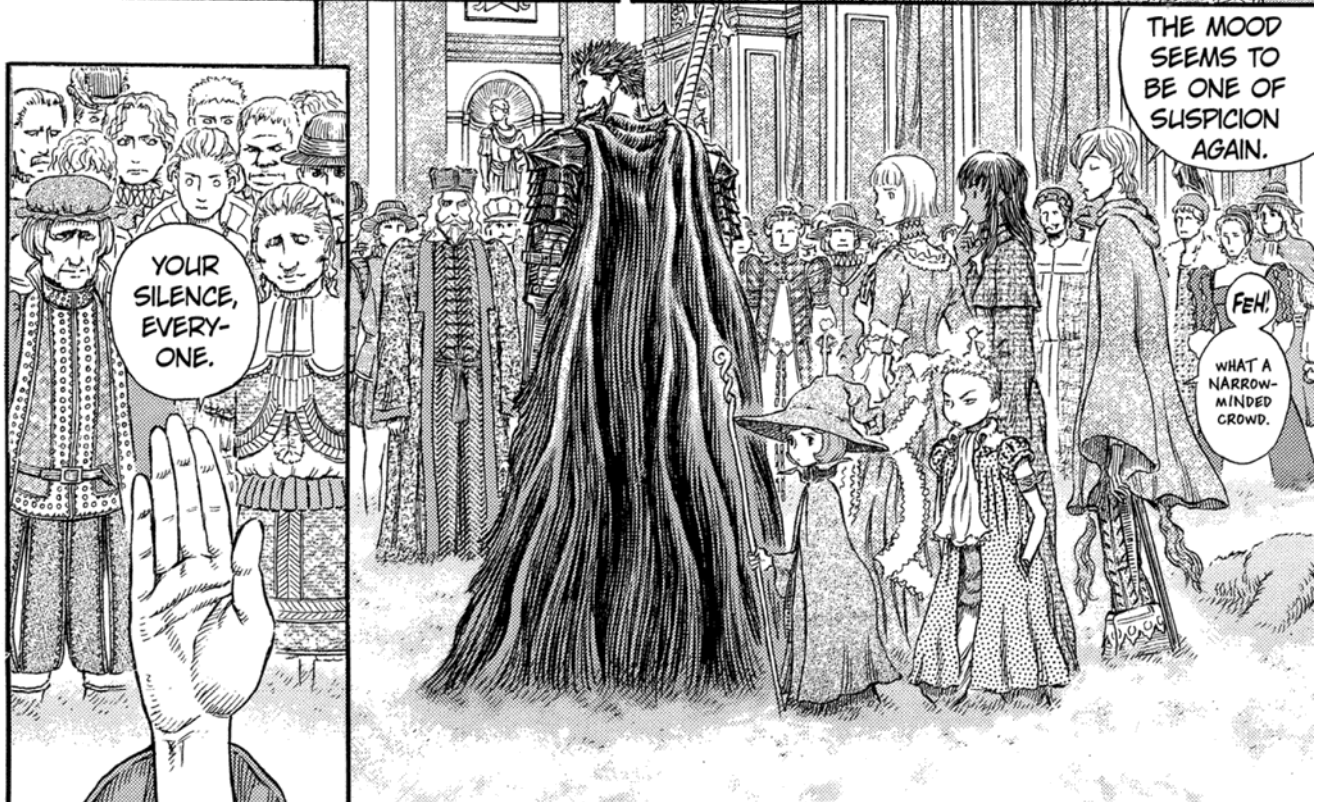
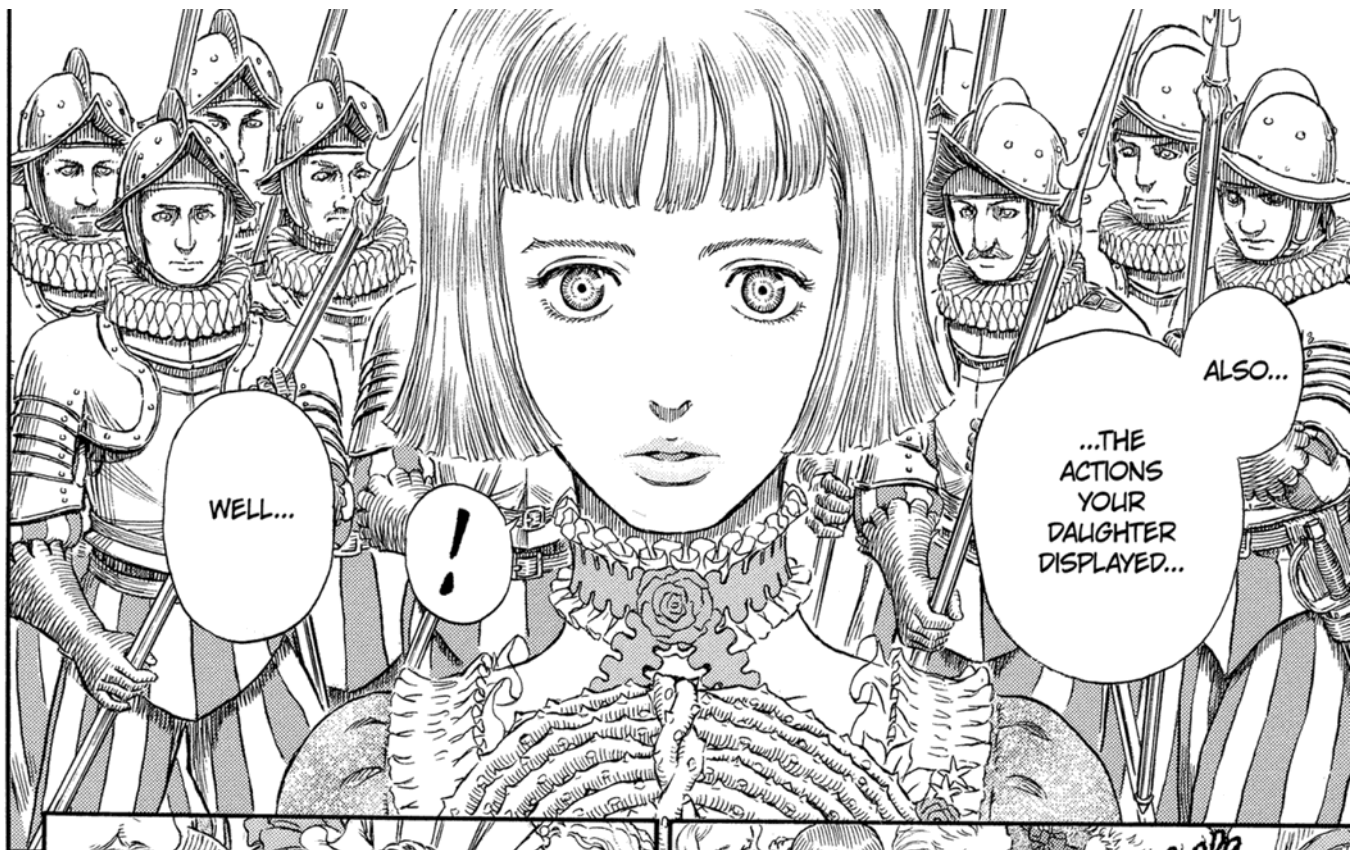
B-BUT, LORD VANDI-MION...



IS HE RIGHT ?

I THINK HE IS ABOUT HALF RIGHT...

THIS GUY KNOWS A LOT.



...MERE
ILLUSION.

THAT
WAS MOST
LIKELY...

THAT'S
RIGHT!
YOU
TELL 'EM,
MISTER!

...FOR IT TO BE
SO CLEAR IN THE
PUBLIC EYE...
AND THEY SEEM
TO BE ASSERTING
THEMSELVES.

Y-YES,
BUT
MILORD...

--SIONS
?!

IS HE
RIGHT?

ILLU--

*SHA
SHA
SHA

*COGITO
ERGO
SUM

BANNER
OF THE
ILLUSIONS

WELL,
WELL...

IN ANY
EVENT...

PERHAPS THE
WINE WE DRANK
WAS DRUGGED, OR
PERHAPS IT IS SPREAD
VIA THIS FOG... IT IS
PROBABLY A KIND
OF MASS HALLU-
CINATION.

B-BUT,
RIGHT
THERE...!
SEE!

HEY!
ENOUGH!

I WON'T
LETCHA
TALK ME
DOWN
THAT
EASILY!

WOW...

*MMMM



...OF THE
HOLY SEE
DOMAIN AND
THROW OUR
ALLIED ARMY
INTO
CONFUSION.

...IT IS THE
AIM OF THE
KLUSHAN ARMY
TO STRIKE
AT THE
HEADS...



IT IS
DISGRACEFUL
BEHAVIOR
FOR AN
ADHERENT.

TO FALL
SO EASILY
FOR SUCH A
TRANSPARENT
TACTIC IS THE
HEIGHT
OF FOLLY.



...THUS
BECOMING A
LAUGHING-
STOCK OF THE
SOLDIERS?

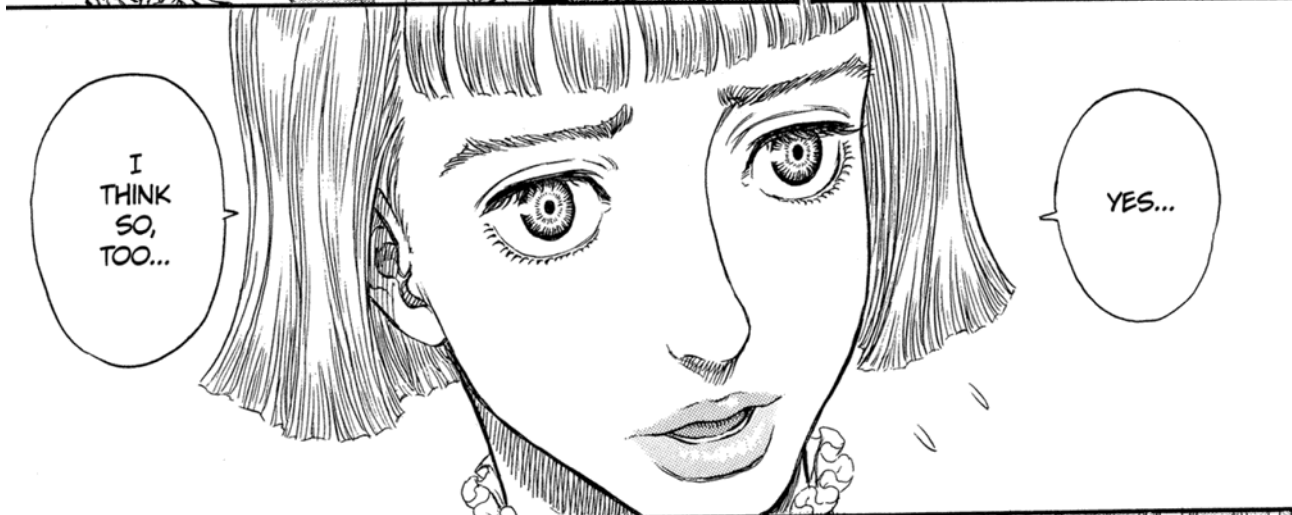
...ON THE
NIGHT BEFORE
DEPLOYMENT,
TO GO AROUND
TRUMPETING
ABOUT FAIRIES AND
MONSTERS...

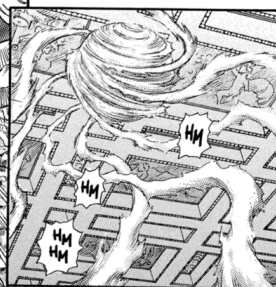
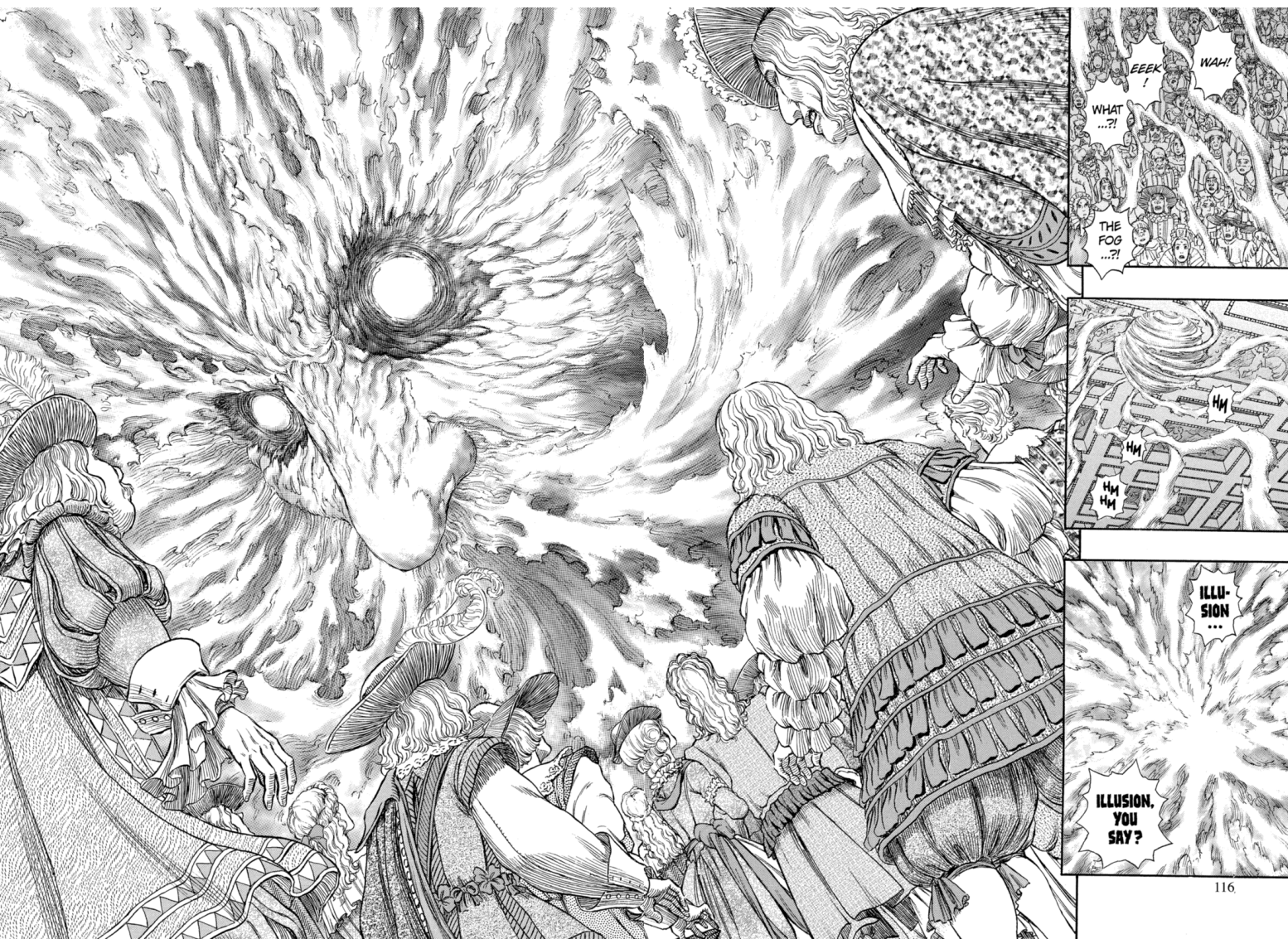
OR DO
ALL OF YOU
GATHERED
HERE
INTEND...

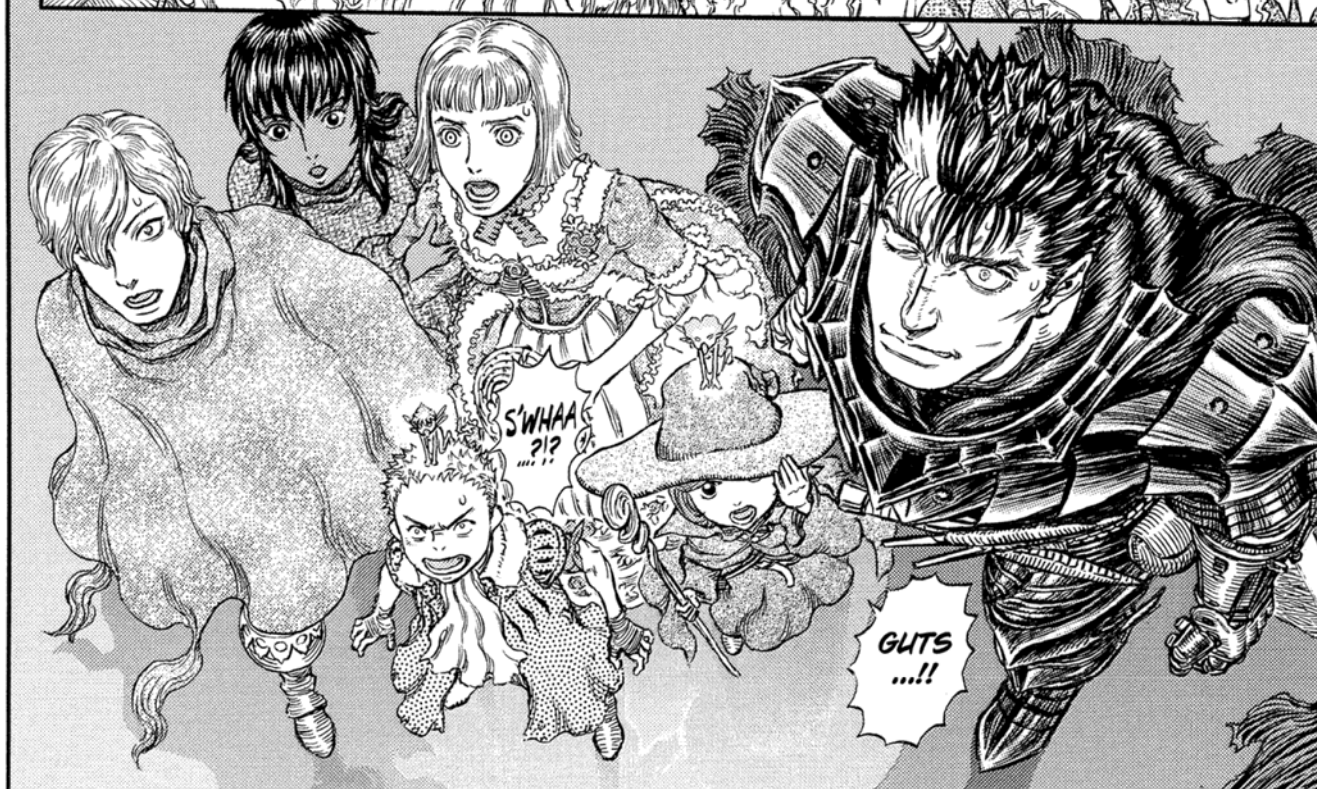


WHAT
YOU
SAY IS
TRUE...

INDEED...



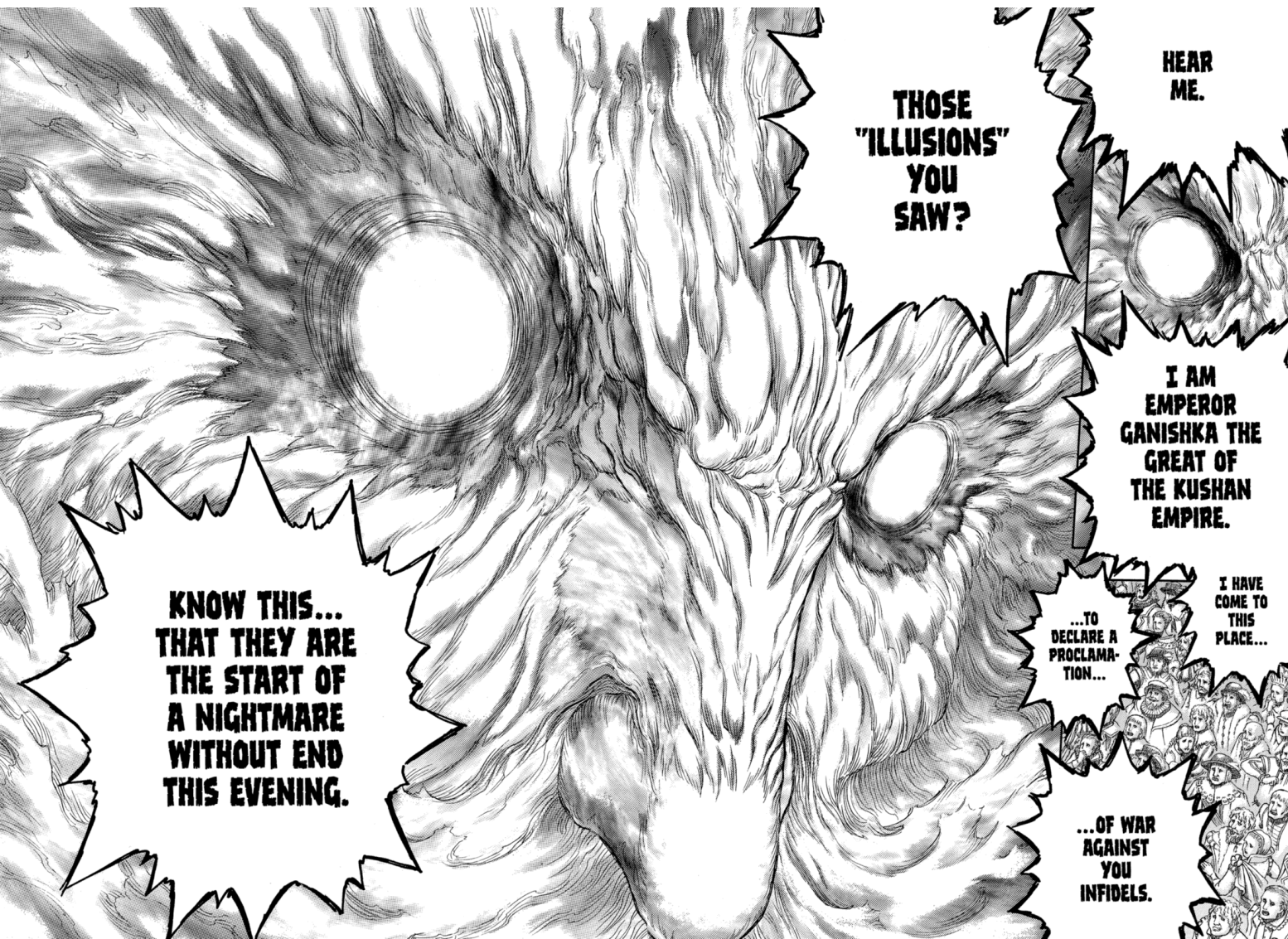






APOSTLE...!!





**THOSE
"ILLUSIONS"
YOU
SAW?**

**HEAR
ME.**

**I AM
EMPEROR
GANISHKA THE
GREAT OF
THE KUSHAN
EMPIRE.**

**KNOW THIS...
THAT THEY ARE
THE START OF
A NIGHTMARE
WITHOUT END
THIS EVENING.**

**...TO
DECLARE A
PROCLAMA-
TION...**

**I HAVE
COME TO
THIS
PLACE...**

**...OF WAR
AGAINST
YOU
INFIDELS.**





**AND
HE'S A
RULER?**

**...AN
APOSTLE.**

WH-
WHAT
WAS THAT
HUGE
FACE?!

I
SENSED AN
ENORMOUS,
SINISTER
MAGIC
POWER.

AN
INHUMAN
DEMON!

HE WAS THE
SAME AS THOSE
WHO ATTACKED
THE MANSION
OF THE SPIRIT
TREE.

TH-
THAT
SCARED
ME!

I'M
GLAD
SHE
SAID
IT.



...ANOTHER
ONE OF HIS
FOLLOWERS?

IS
HE...

...HE'S
INVOLVED
WITH THIS
WAR?

**DOES
THAT
MEAN...**

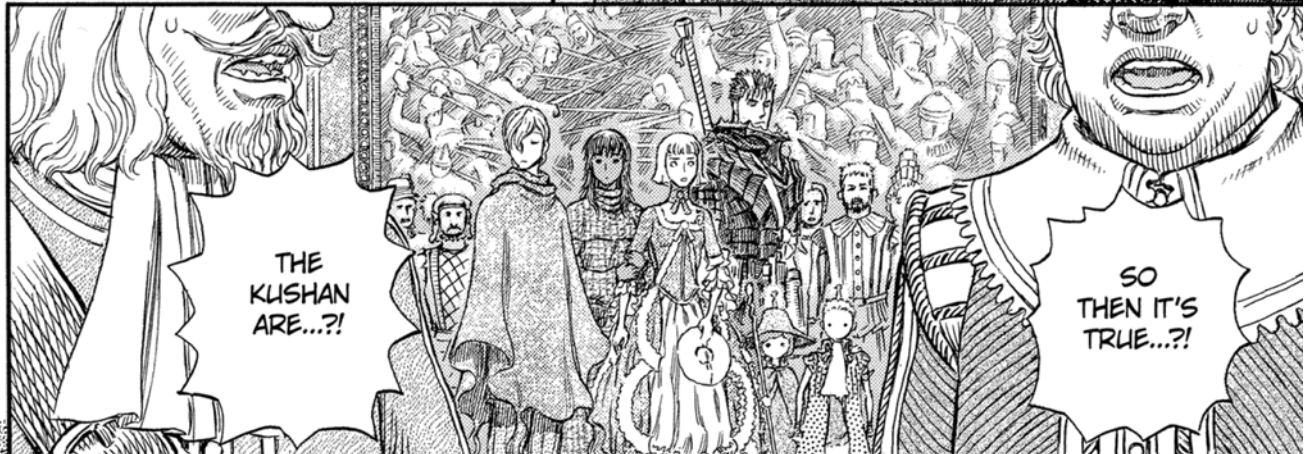
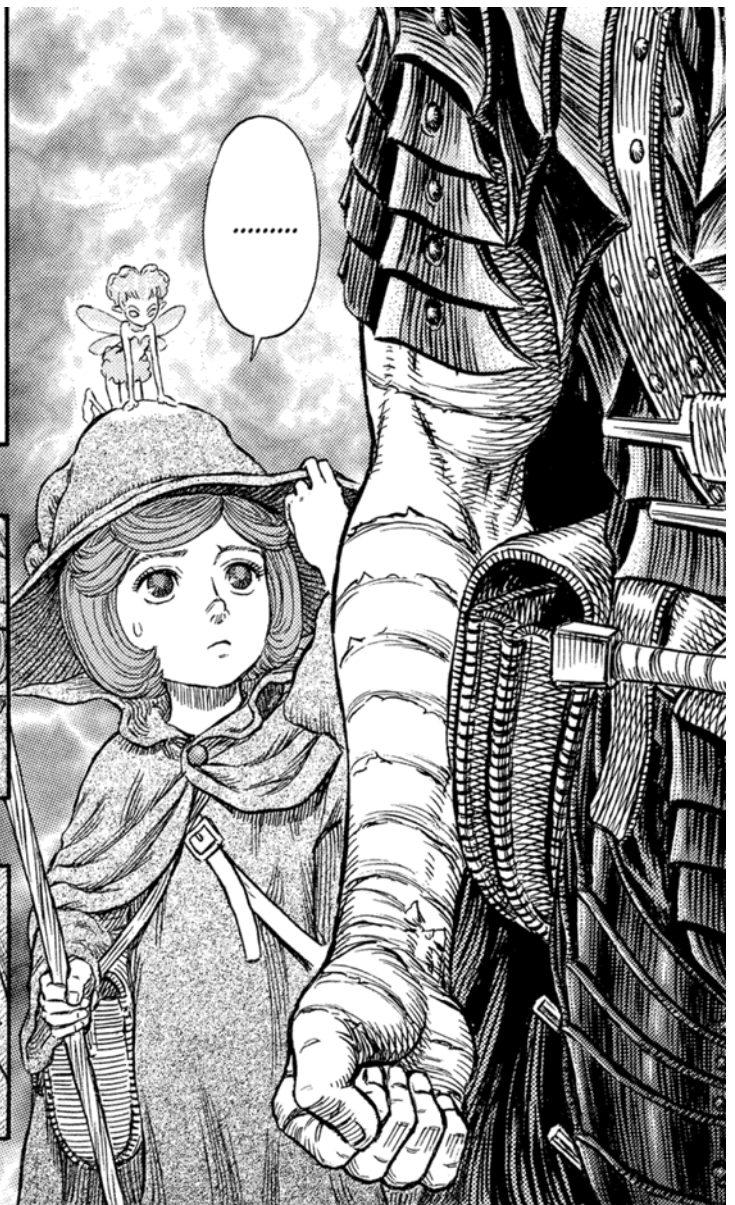
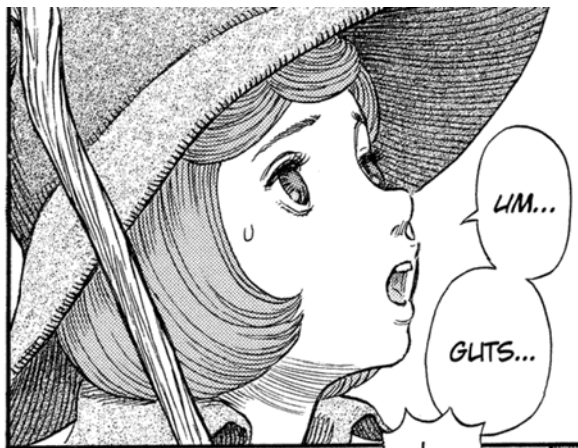


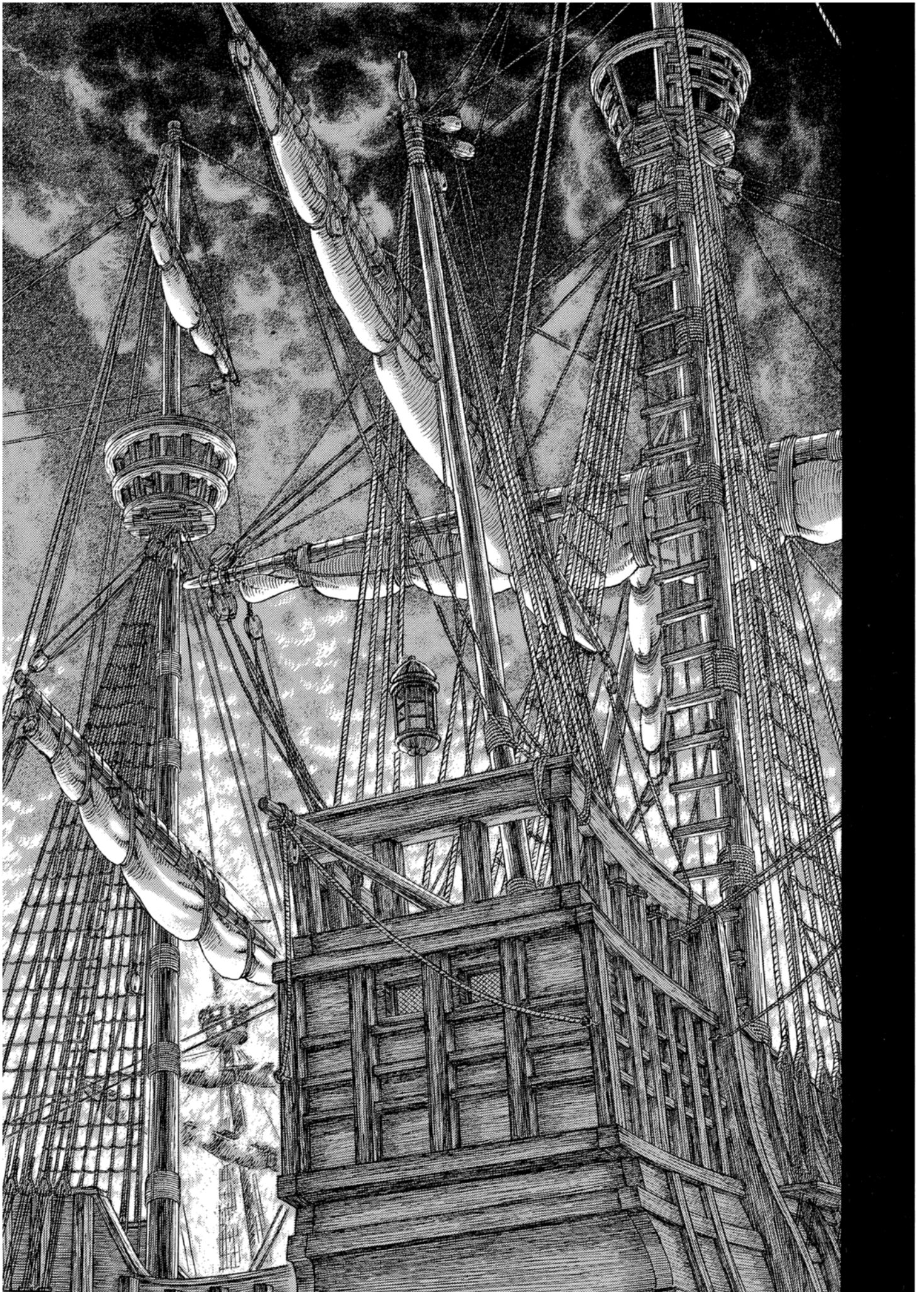
...PERHAPS
LEADING
THEM
WILL BE...

AND
THEN...

...YOU'LL SOON
ENCOUNTER
THE APOSTLES
AGAIN.

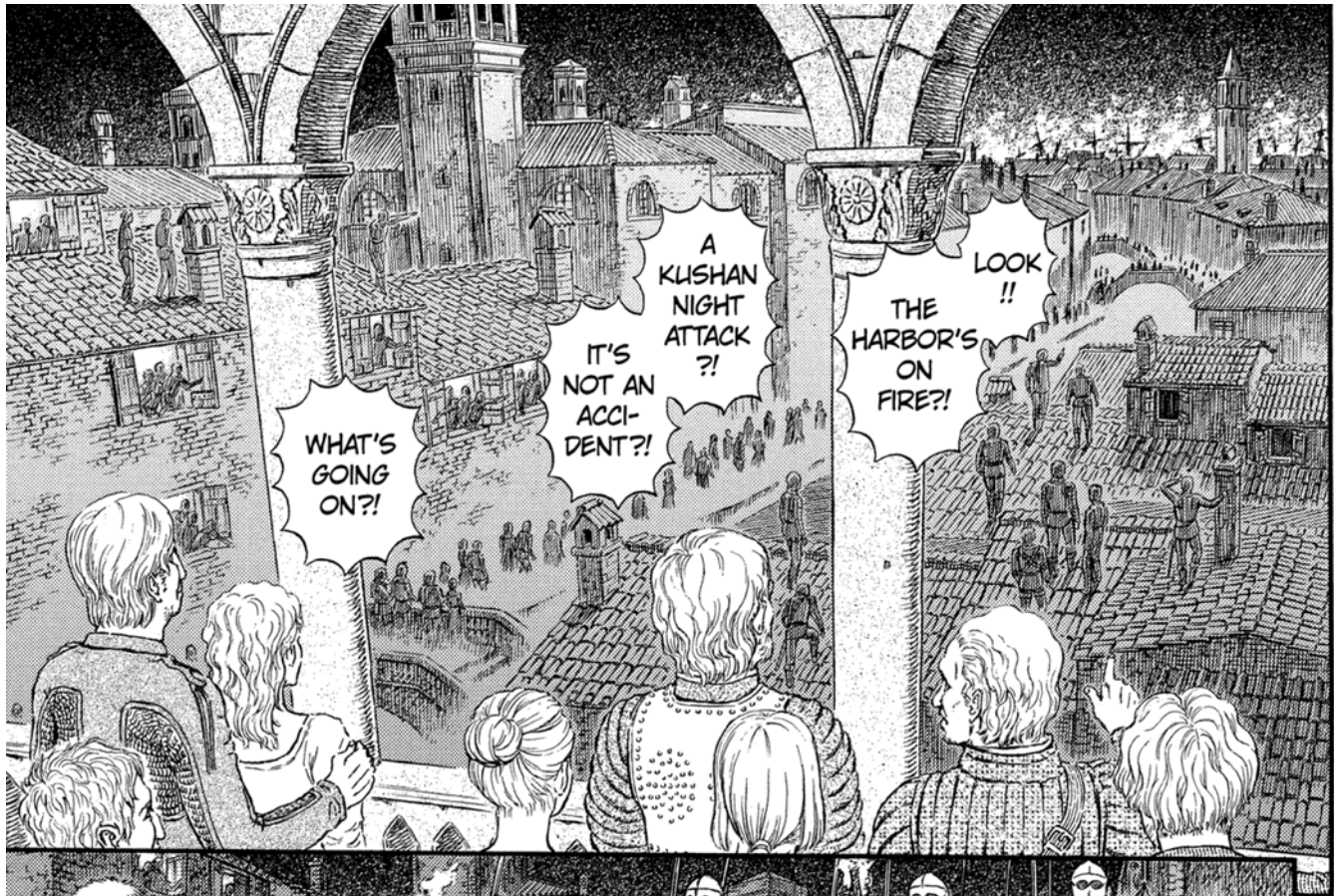
IF YOU
CONTINUE
ON WITH
YOUR
JOURNEY...





**DEMON BEAST
INVASION**
妖獸侵攻

BERSERK



WHAT'S
GOING
ON?!

IT'S
NOT AN
ACCI-
DENT?!

A
KUSHAN
NIGHT
ATTACK
?!

LOOK
!!
THE
HARBOR'S
ON
FIRE?!



CLEAR
THE
WAYYY!!

MOVE,
MOVE
!!

*CLOP

*CLOP

*CLOP

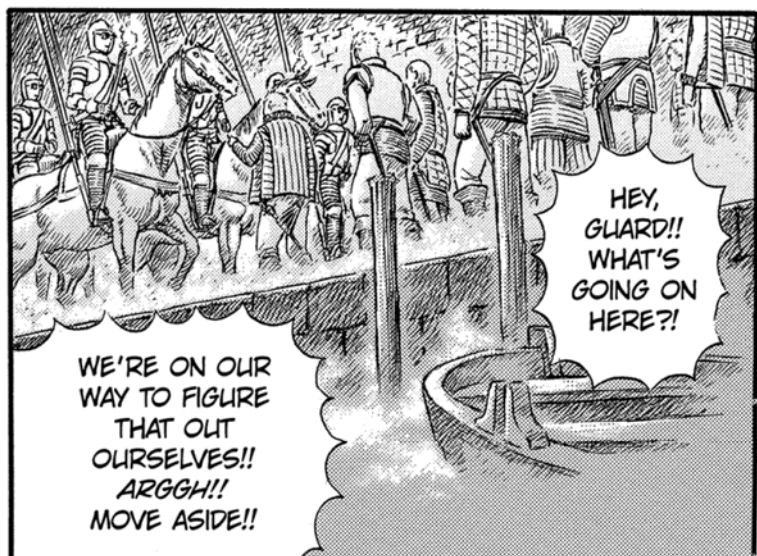
*CLOP

*CLOP

*FX: SHIMMER



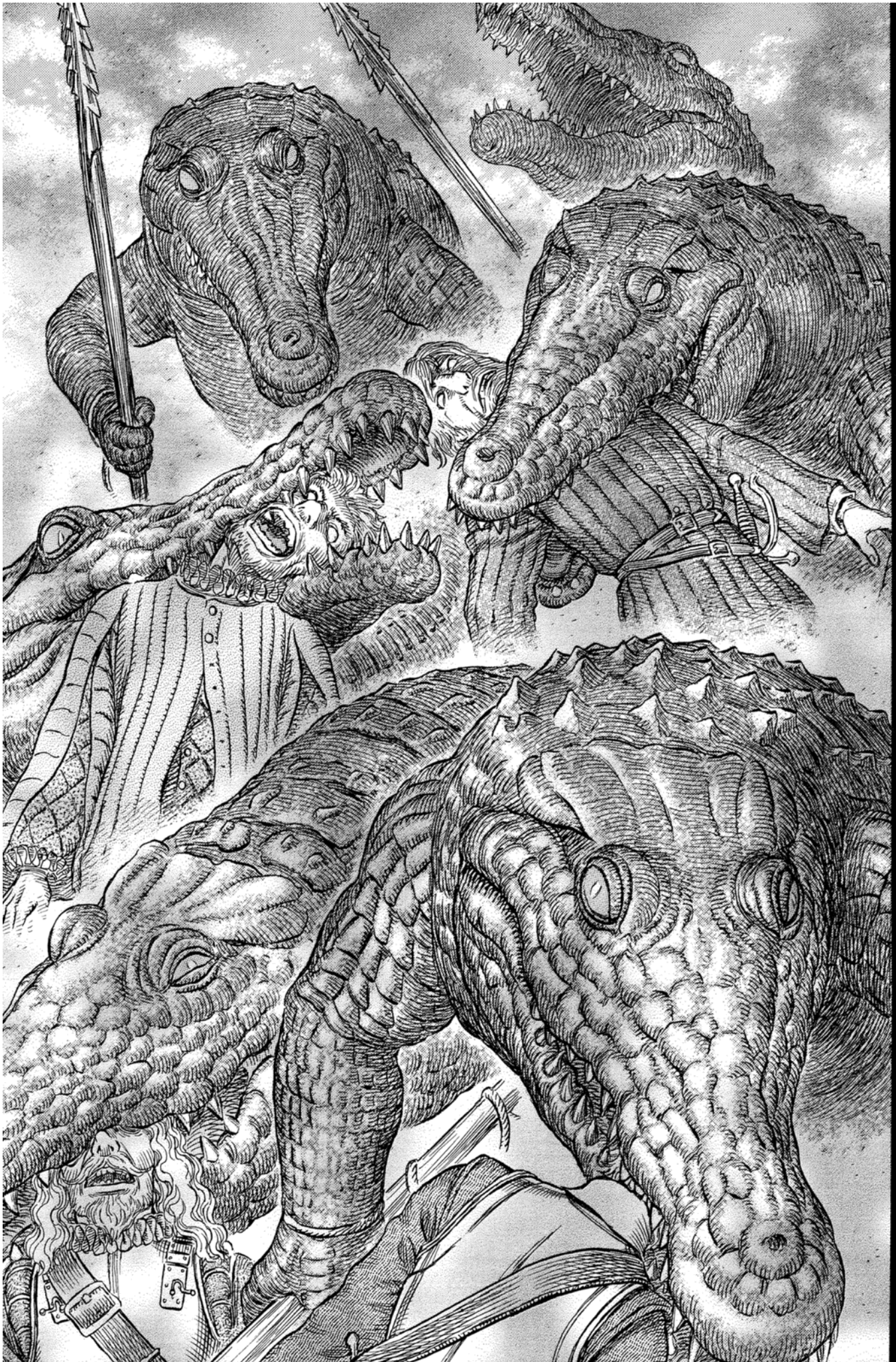
IT'S HARD
ENOUGH
TO MOVE
THROUGH
THIS
FOG AS IT
IS...!!

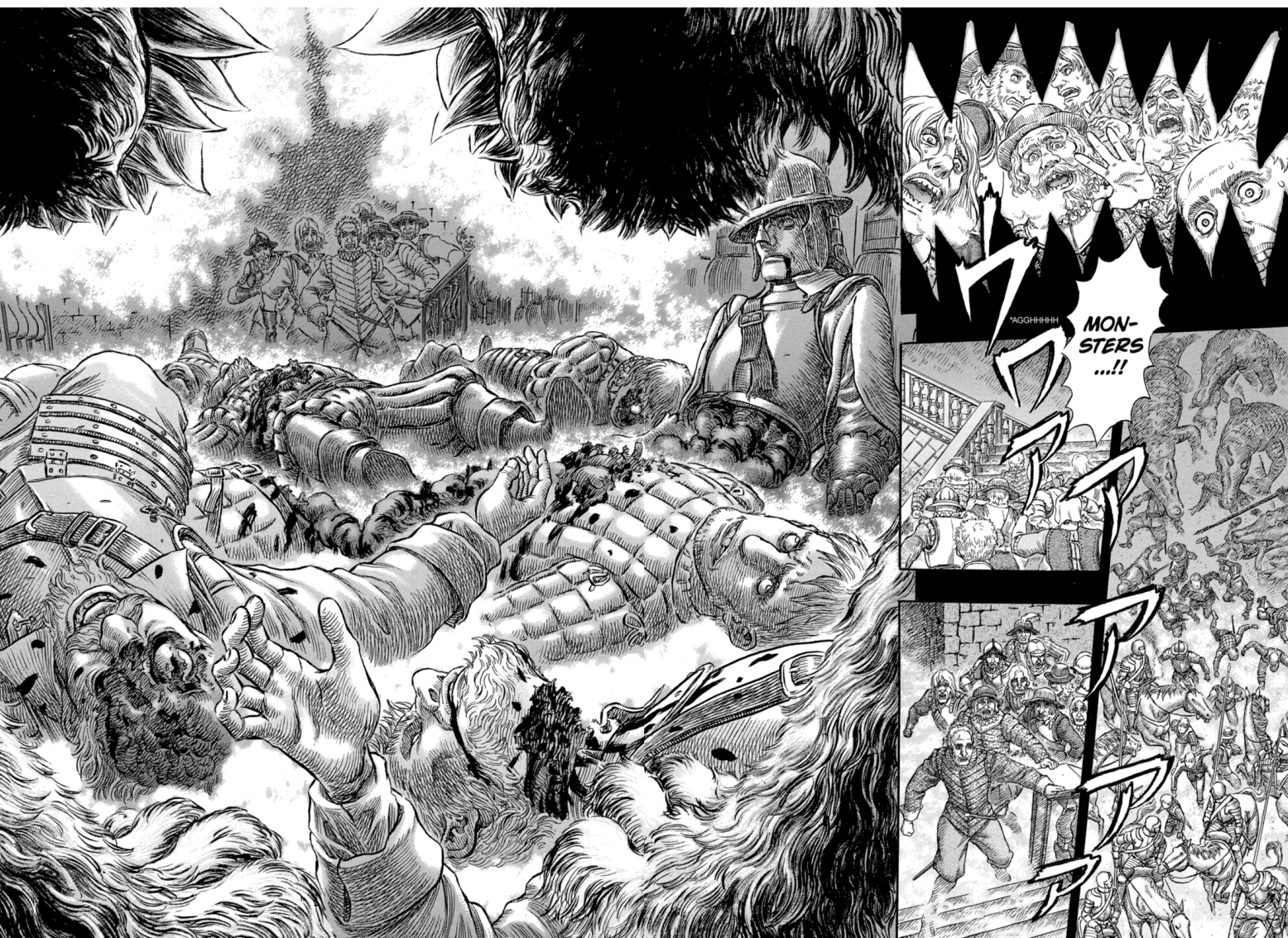


HEY,
GUARD!!
WHAT'S
GOING ON
HERE?!

WE'RE ON OUR
WAY TO FIGURE
THAT OUT
OURSELVES!!
ARGGH!!
MOVE ASIDE!!















*FX: GCHAK GCHAK



...THERE ARE
REPORTS OF
MONSTERS
APPEARING...

WELL...

...BIZARRE
...

...BUT IN
VARIOUS
PARTS
OF THE
CITY...

THIS IS
LINCON-
FIRMED
INFORMA-
TION...



BUT
RIGHT
NOW,
THE
CITY'S...!

WE
MUST
GET TO
OUR
COMMAND
POSTS
...!

W-WE
CAN'T
STAY
HERE...!

THEN
WHAT
HAPPENED
EARLIER
WAS REAL
...!!

SO
IT'S
TRUE
...!

MON-
STERS
...!!



SAY,
EVERY-
ONE...

THIS
PRESENTS
A PRO-
BLEM.

AH,
SHIT! THE
SHIP'S
GONNA BURN
BEFORE
WE BOARD
IT!

WE GOTTA
PLUNDER
ONE IN THE
CONFUSION,
YARRR!

WHADDA
WE DO?

I MIGHT
BE OF
SERVICE.

WHAT'S
YOUR
DESTI-
NATION?

I'VE HEARD
MOST OF THE
SITUATION FROM
FARNESE'S
BROTHER.
YOU'RE
LOOKING FOR
A SHIP?

HEY...

RODERICK...

NOW,
NOW,
DON'T
WORRY.

UH,
I... RODERICK.

WHAT'S
WITH THE
GIRL?

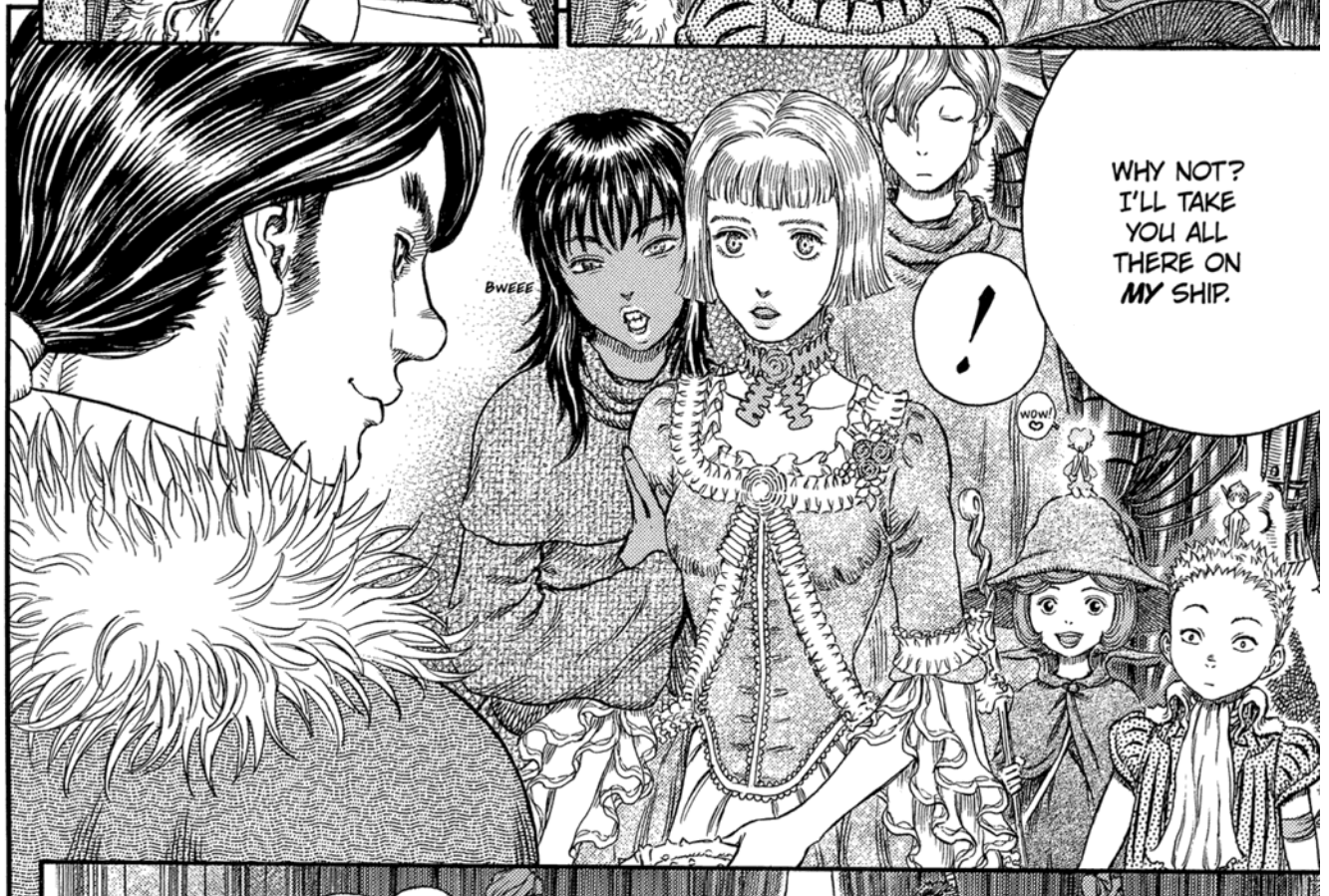
OOOO

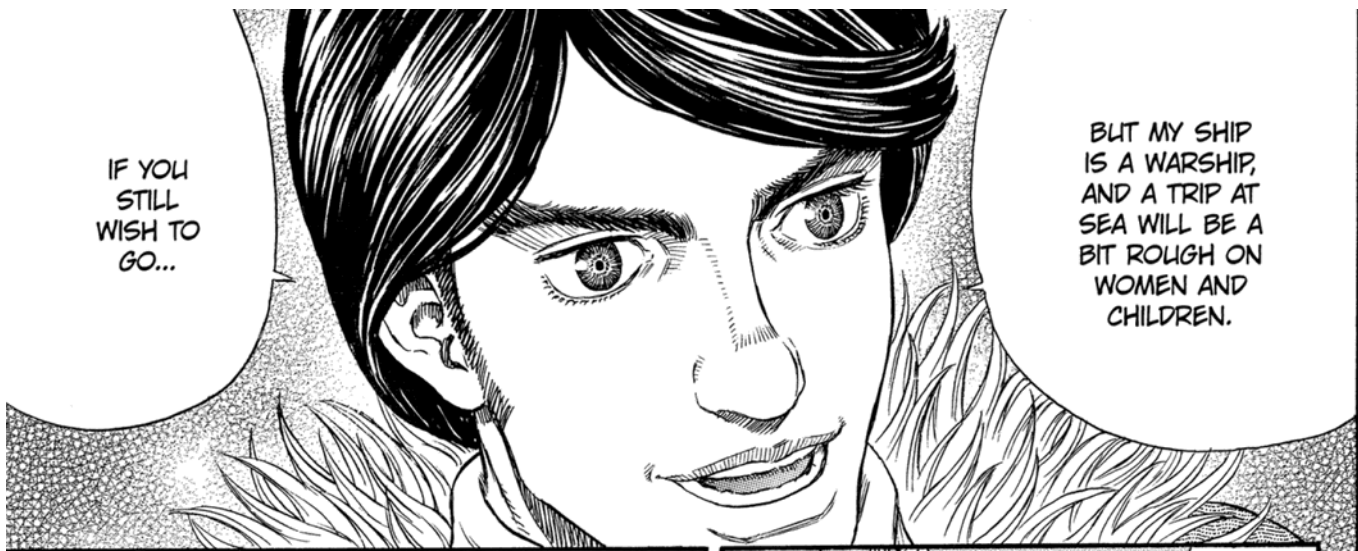
YOU
WERE
THERE
WITH
ME.

WHO'S
HE?

HE'S
FARNESE'S
FIANCÉ! THE
BOURGEOIS
ONE!

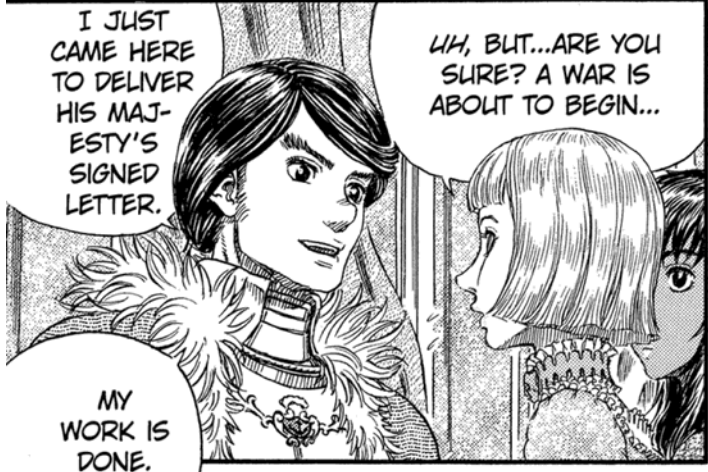
JUST
TELL ME
YOUR
DESTINA-
TION.





IF YOU
STILL
WISH TO
GO...

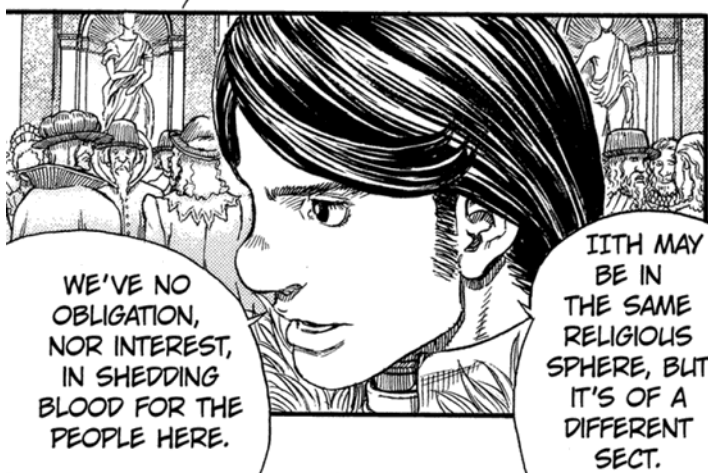
BUT MY SHIP
IS A WARSHIP,
AND A TRIP AT
SEA WILL BE A
BIT ROUGH ON
WOMEN AND
CHILDREN.



I JUST
CAME HERE
TO DELIVER
HIS MAJ-
ESTY'S
SIGNED
LETTER.

UH, BUT...ARE YOU
SURE? A WAR IS
ABOUT TO BEGIN...

MY
WORK IS
DONE.



WE'VE NO
OBLIGATION,
NOR INTEREST,
IN SHEDDING
BLOOD FOR THE
PEOPLE HERE.

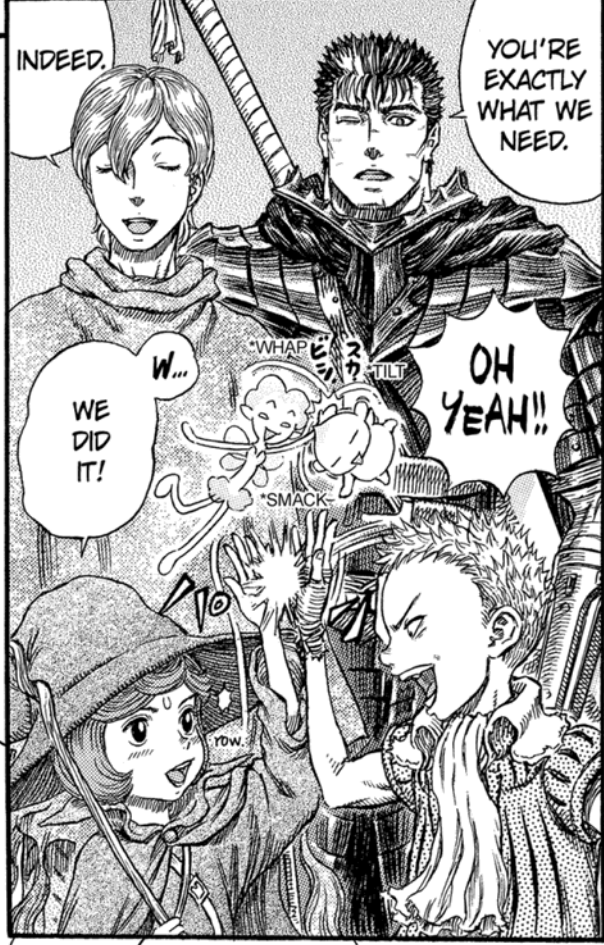
IITH MAY
BE IN
THE SAME
RELIGIOUS
SPHERE, BUT
IT'S OF A
DIFFERENT
SECT.



I DON'T FEEL
LIKE TOSSING
OUT THIS
ENGAGEMENT.

LOOK WHAT
HAPPENED
TO THAT
PLAN OF
YOURS.

WELL,
NO...



INDEED.

YOU'RE
EXACTLY
WHAT WE
NEED.

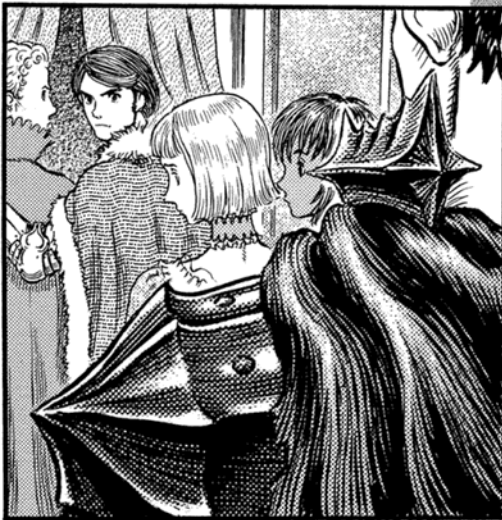
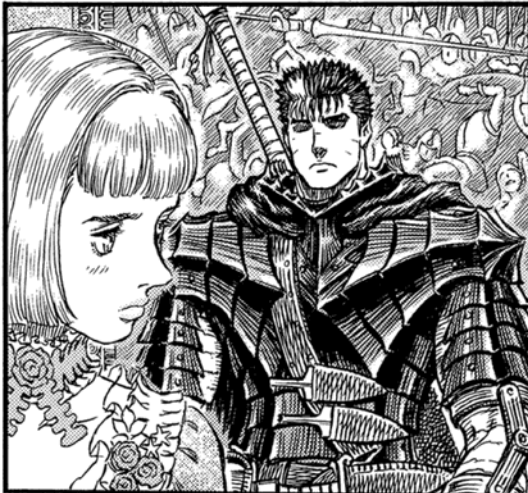
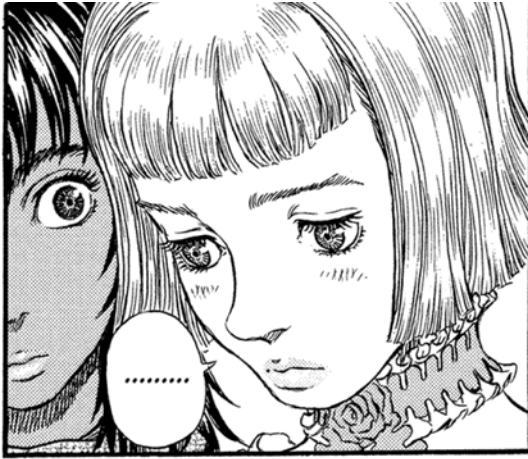
WE
DID
IT!

OH
YEAH!!

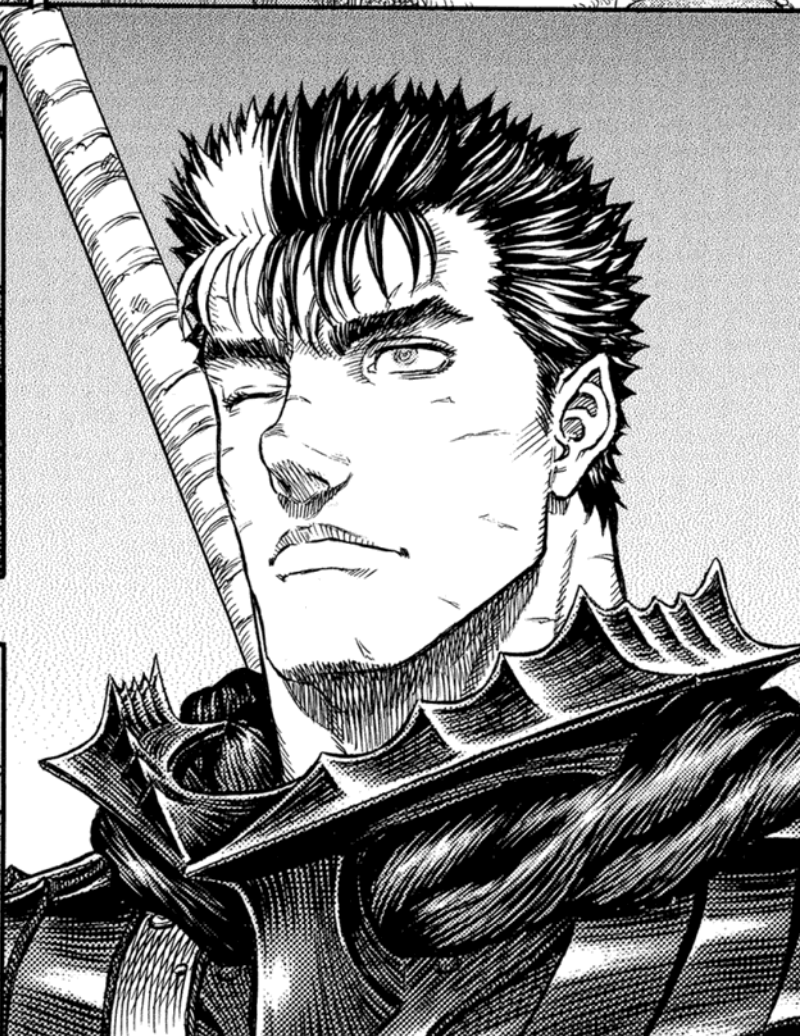


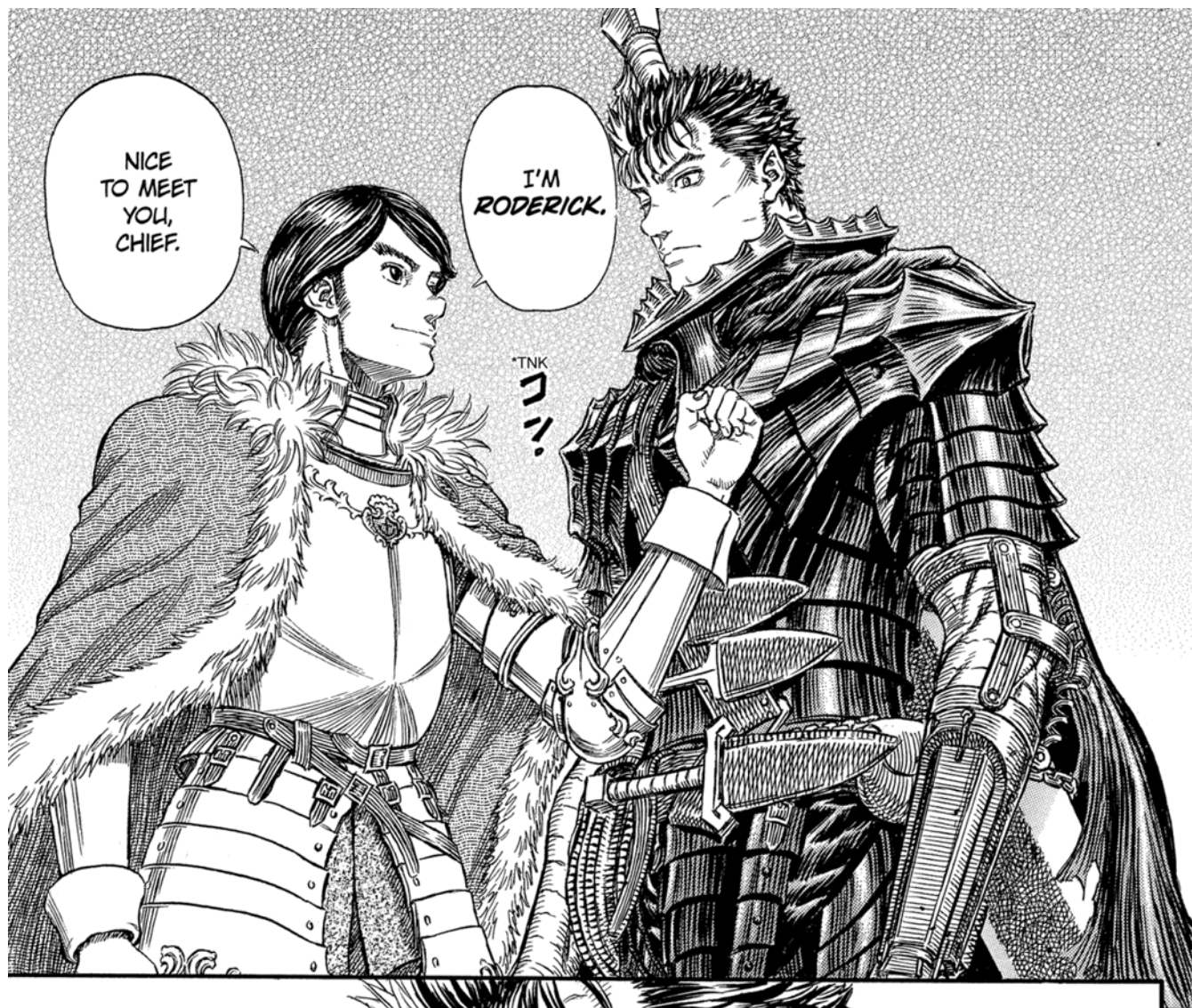
WELL,
WHY
NOT?

RODERICK!
YOU'RE
GETTING
CARRIED
AWAY
AGAIN...!



*FX: SKRICH

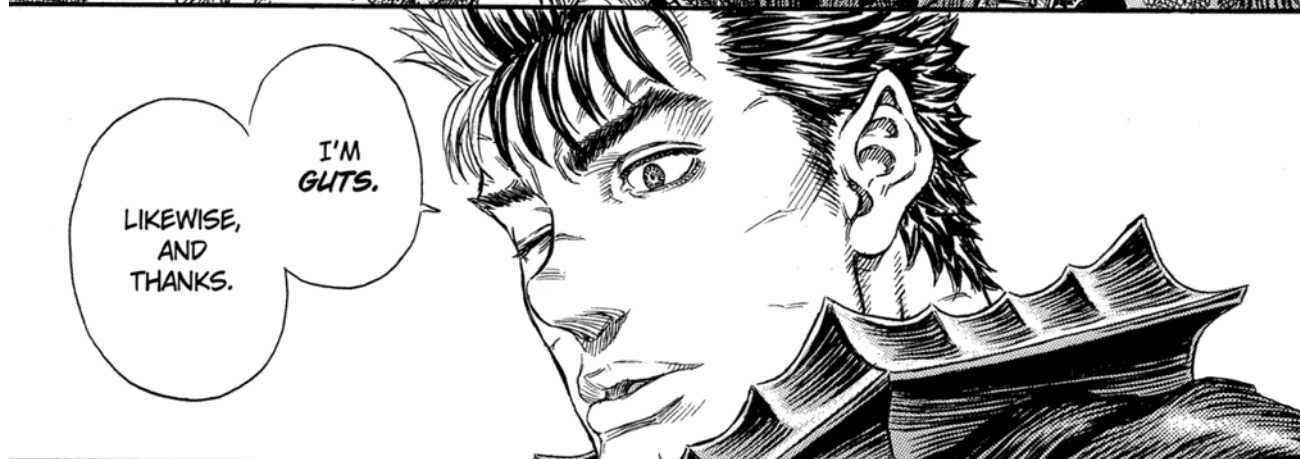




NICE
TO MEET
YOU,
CHIEF.

I'M
RODERICK.

*TNK
??



I'M
GUTS.

LIKEWISE,
AND
THANKS.



FORTUNATELY,
I'M
ANCHORED
OUTSIDE THE
HARBOR...

...BUT WE
CAN'T HAVE
THE SHIP
BURNING
DOWN BEFORE
WE SET SAIL.

RIGHT
AWAY?

!

LET'S
BE ON
OUR WAY
THEN.

RIGHT!



I'M...

I...



IF YOU'RE GOING BACK TO BRAJUE, I'LL GIVE YOU A RIDE.

WHAT ABOUT YOU, MANIFICO?

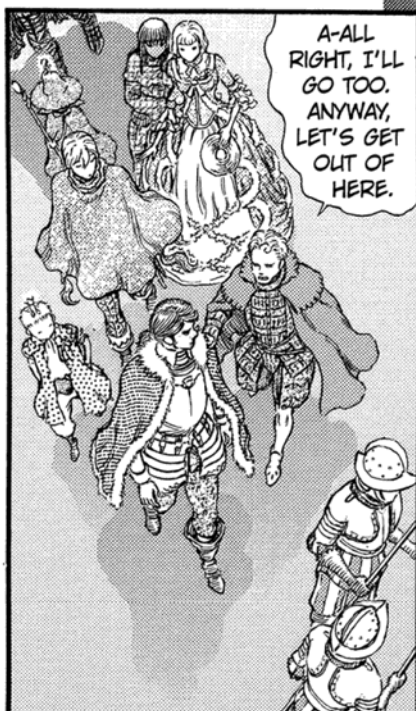


WE MIGHT AS WELL TURN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING INTO A COMMAND CENTER...

THANKFULLY, MOST OF THE LEADERS OF EACH NATION'S ARMY ARE HERE.

I WILL HAVE ALL OF US MOVED TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

WE CANNOT ASSUME THIS RECEPTION HALL IS SECURE.

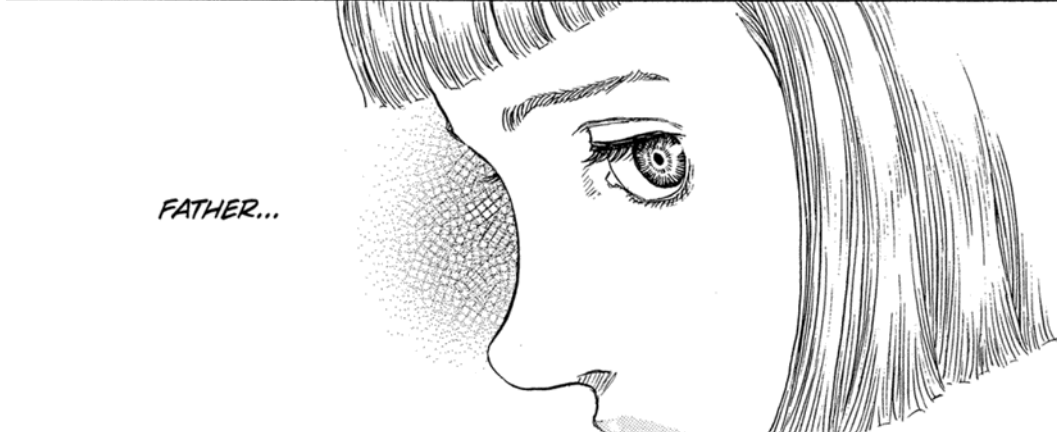
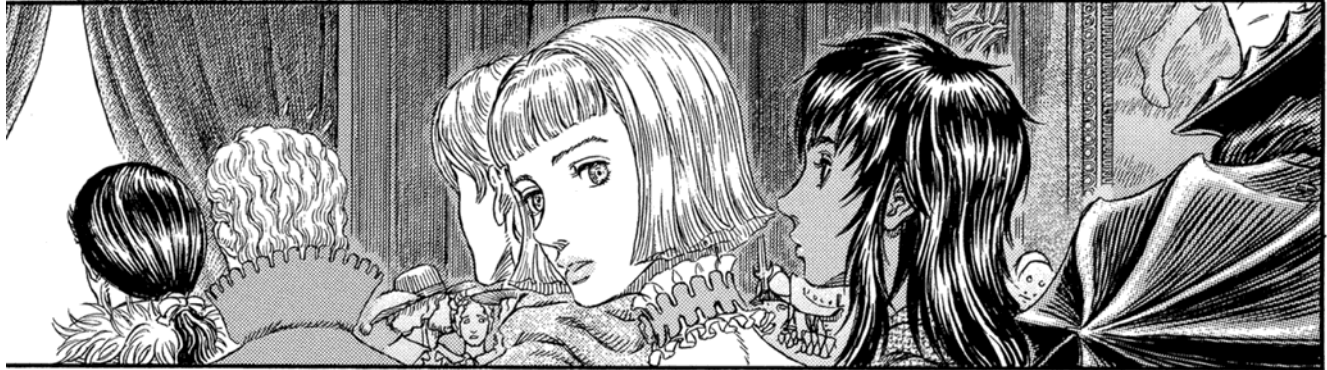


A-ALL RIGHT, I'LL GO TOO. ANYWAY, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE.



IT'S OBVIOUS I'LL BE CENSURED IF I STAY HERE IN BRITANNIS.

I'LL GO AWAY FOR NOW, UNTIL THINGS CALM DOWN...





...FARNESE.

NOT TO
MENTION
MANIFICO.

GOOD
JOURNEY
TO
YOU...



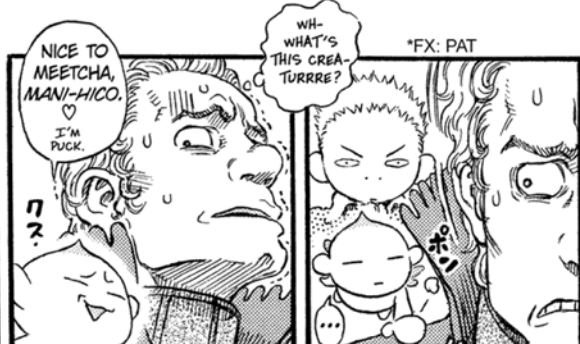
BUT YOU
DON'T KNOW
WHEN WE
MIGHT COME
ACROSS SOME
OF THOSE
MONSTERS IN
THE CITY!!

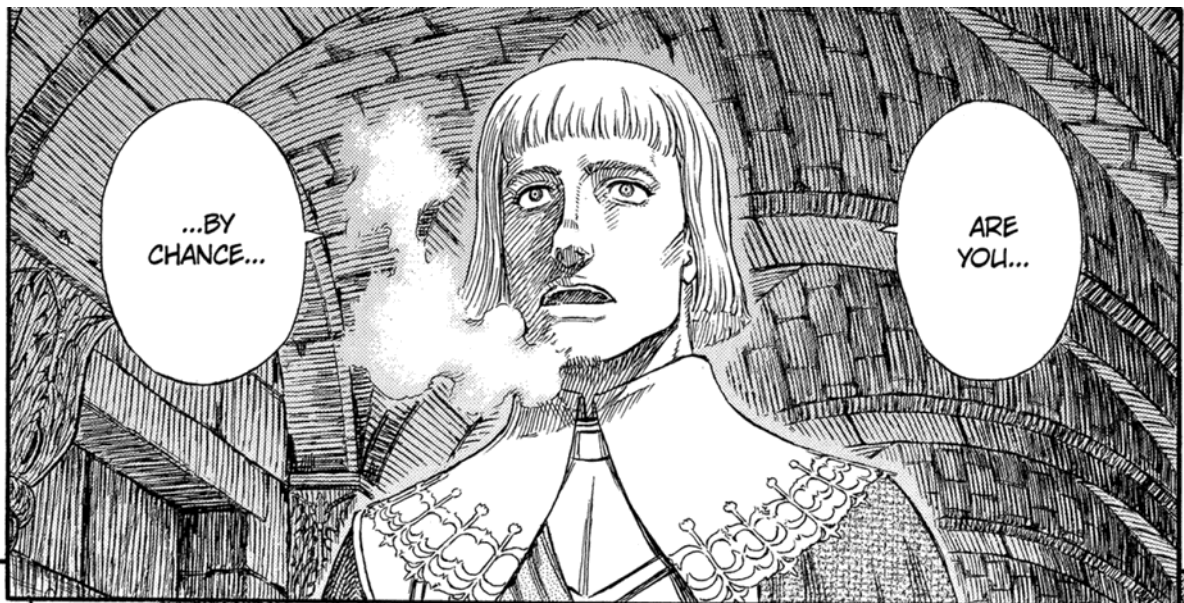
ON
FOOT
?!

KEEP
THAT FIRE
BURNING!

THE
WHOLE CITY'S
PROBABLY IN AN
UPROAR, AND
THEN THERE'S
THIS FOG.
CROSSING
IT ON FOOT
WOULD BE
FASTER
THAN BY
CARRIAGE.

ENEMIES
GOT INTO
THE
PALACE?!





...BY
CHANCE...

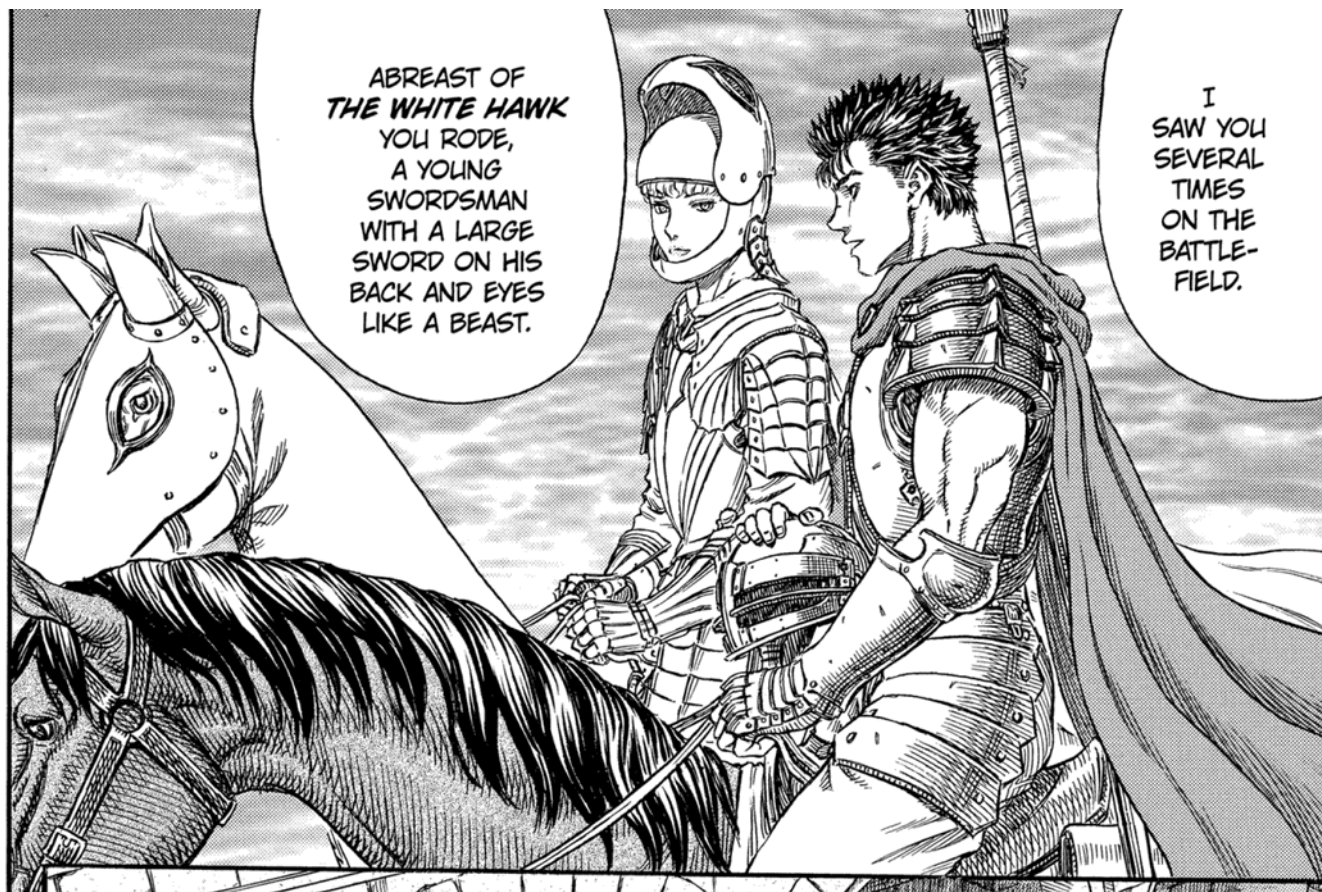
ARE
YOU...



...OF THE
BAND
OF THE
HAWK?

...THE
RAIDERS'
CAPTAIN...





ABREAST OF
THE WHITE HAWK
YOU RODE,
A YOUNG
SWORDSMAN
WITH A LARGE
SWORD ON HIS
BACK AND EYES
LIKE A BEAST.

I
SAW YOU
SEVERAL
TIMES
ON THE
BATTLE-
FIELD.



YOUR
NAME
...?

CAPTAIN
OF THE
HAWK'S
RAIDERS...



I MUST
ASK YOU
SOME-
THING!

WE'RE
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF
THINGS,
SO...



LET IT
GO.

IT'S
HISTORY
NOW.

THOSE
GUYS...

SAYS HE'S
LOOKIN'
FOR
SOMEONE.

I GUESS
I LOOK LIKE
SOMEBODY
HE USED
TO KNOW.

...ARE
GONE
NOW...

A
VANDIMION,
A THIEF...

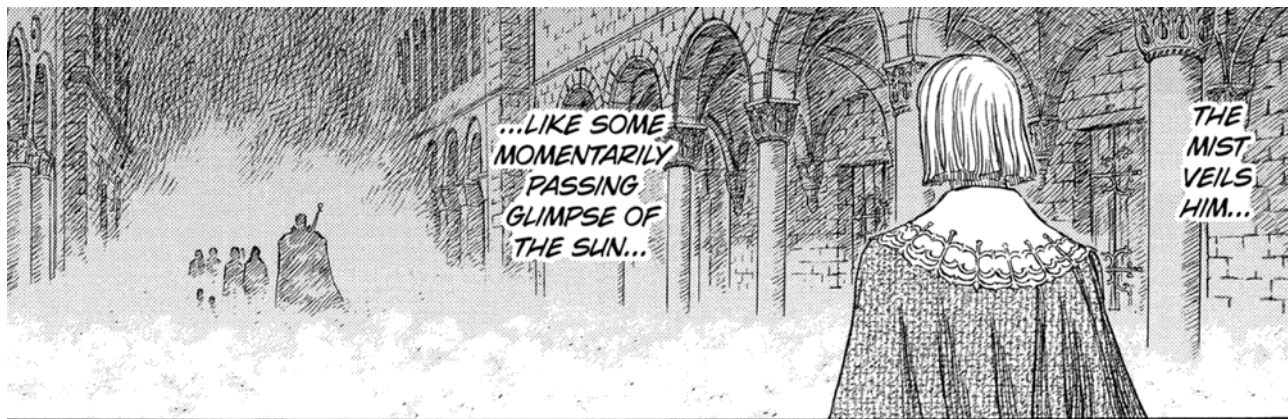
WITH THAT
DRESS,
YOU COULD
BUY TEN
OF THESE
OUTFITS AND
STILL HAVE
CHANGE.

WHO'S
HE?

SOMEONE
YOU
KNOW?

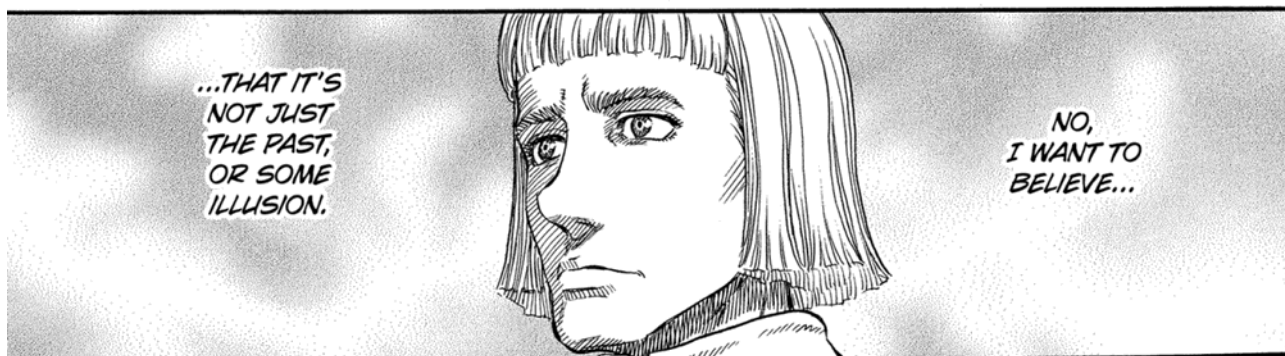
WHO
KNOWS
?

HE MIGHT
BE CLOSER
THAN YOU
REALIZE.



...LIKE SOME
MOMENTARILY
PASSING
GLIMPSE OF
THE SUN...

THE
MIST
VEILS
HIM...



...THAT IT'S
NOT JUST
THE PAST,
OR SOME
ILLUSION.

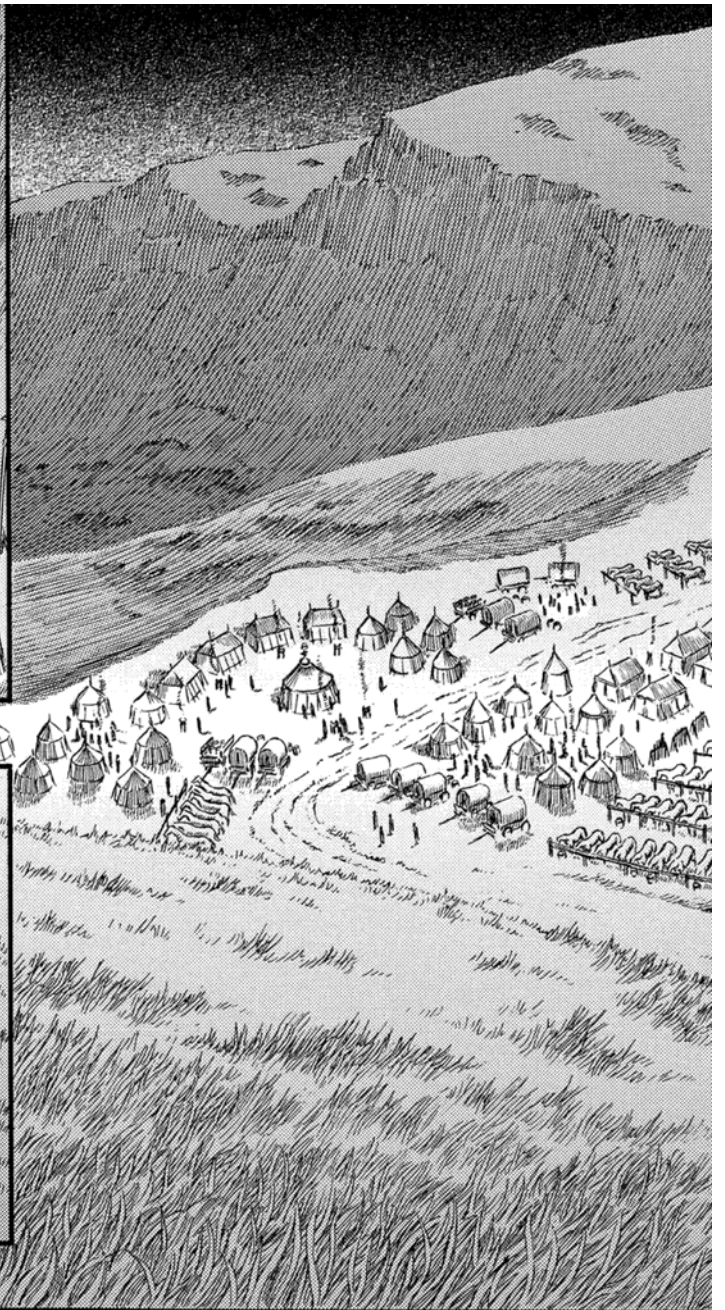
NO,
I WANT TO
BELIEVE...



...ONE DAY
THOSE
WINGS OF
LIGHT...

...WILL
SWEEP
AWAY THE
DARKNESS
COVERING
OUR
KINGDOM.

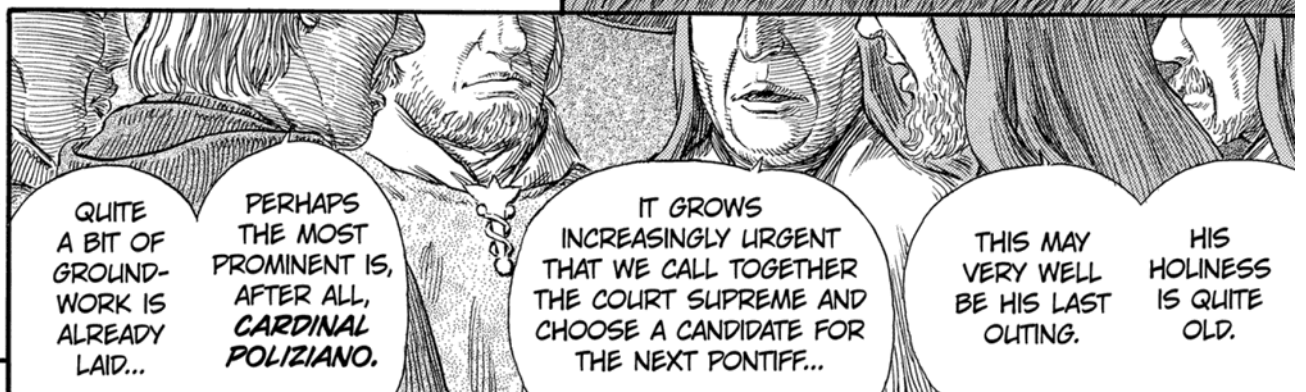
THAT, AS
IN THAT
REVELATION...



NOT VERY FAVORABLE.
THIS IS
A LONG
JOURNEY, IN
HIS STATE.

HOW
IS HIS
HOLINESS'
CONDITION
?

AND AT
A TIME
LIKE THIS,
OF ALL
TIMES.



QUITE
A BIT OF
GROUND-
WORK IS
ALREADY
LAID...

PERHAPS
THE MOST
PROMINENT IS,
AFTER ALL,
**CARDINAL
POLIZIANO.**

IT GROWS
INCREASINGLY URGENT
THAT WE CALL TOGETHER
THE COURT SUPREME AND
CHOOSE A CANDIDATE FOR
THE NEXT PONTIFF...

THIS MAY
VERY WELL
BE HIS LAST
OUTING.

HIS
HOLINESS
IS QUITE
OLD.



SHOULD
HIS PAPACY
NOT LAST LONG,
LET US CONSENT
TO ANOTHER
CANDIDATE AS
WELL.

YES,
I SEE.

AND
INTEMPERANCE
HAUNTS HIM,
TO THE DETRI-
MENT OF HIS
HEALTH.

HE SEEMS
QUITE
LIBERAL.

HE WAS
A TRULY
ADEQUATE
MAN.

COMPARED TO
PONTIFFS PAST,
HE ACCOMPLISHED
NOTHING SPECIAL
THAT STOOD OUT,
BUT AT THE SAME
TIME, HE NEVER
MISGOVERNED TO
THE POINT OF
CENSURE.



HIS
HOLINESS
WAS,
HOW SHALL
I SAY, A
MODERATE
MAN.

WORTHLESS...

THAT I'VE
CONTINUALLY
CHANTED IN
MY MIND LIKE
A CURSE...



THIS
THOUGHT
THAT WOULD
NEVER
FINALLY
DISAPPEAR...

ALL THOSE
YEARS THAT
BROUGHT
ME TO
THIS AGE...

*FX: SSSS

...AND THAT,
MORE THAN
ANYTHING,
I AM
WORTHLESS.



THAT THIS
WORLD IS
WORTHLESS...

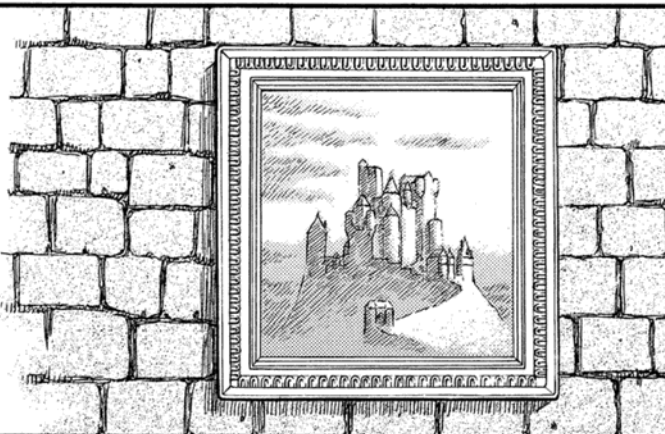
I GREW TO
ADULTHOOD,
NEVER ONCE
EMBRACING
INTENSE
ANGER OR
AFFECTION.

I PASSED MY
SEASON OF
CHILDHOOD
WITHOUT
DISCONTENT,
THEN I
PASSED MY
YOUTH
WITHOUT
DISCONTENT.



BORN INTO A
DISTINGUISHED
FAMILY, I WAS
RAISED
BLESSED BY
PARENTAL LOVE
AND WANTING
FOR NOTHING.

...ADORNING
WALLS,
WITHOUT
ANY SENSE
OF REAL
FEELING.



TO ME,
WHO LONGED
NOT AFTER
OTHERS, THE
WORLD WAS
IN SOME
WAY VERY
CLEARLY
EQUIVALENT
TO A
PAINTING...

EVEN MY RECEIPT OF THE
HOLY TITLE OF PONTIFF
CAME OF THOSE WHO
DESIRED SUCCESS FOILING
EACH OTHER OR FALLING
INTO THE GRAVES THEY
THEMSELVES DUG. THE
CROWN JUST HAPPENED TO
PASS TO ME, ONE WHO
DOES NOTHING. IT WASN'T
SOMETHING I WANTED.

THE REASON I
DEVOTED MYSELF TO
THE PATH OF FAITH
WAS BECAUSE I HAD
NO INTEREST IN
SUCH A WORLD...
NEVER BECAUSE
I WAS SEEKING
DIALOGUE
WITH GOD.

NEVER HAVE
I OFFERED
UP PRAYER
FROM MY
OWN HEART.

EVEN AS
PONTIFF,
I KEPT
QUIET AND
DID WHAT I
WAS TOLD.

...OR FOR
MYSELF
THAT WAS
WORTH
PRAYING
FOR.

SOME
PONTIFF I
TURNED
OUT
TO BE.

THAT'S RIGHT.
THAT'S
BECAUSE I'VE
NEVER ONCE
HARBORED A
WISH FOR
OTHERS...

...IDLE
LIFETIME
WILL NOW
END.



BUT NOW,
ENOUGH.

THIS VACANT,
TEDIOUS...

NOTHING
BUT A STALE
CHILL...

IT WAS
ALL A
WASTE
OF TIME.

IN THE END,
THE DIVINE
HAND OF
DESTINY WAS
NEVER HELD
OUT TO ME.

THERE
WAS NO
LOVE,
HATRED,
NOTHING.

... BUT
JUST ONCE ...
ONCE ...

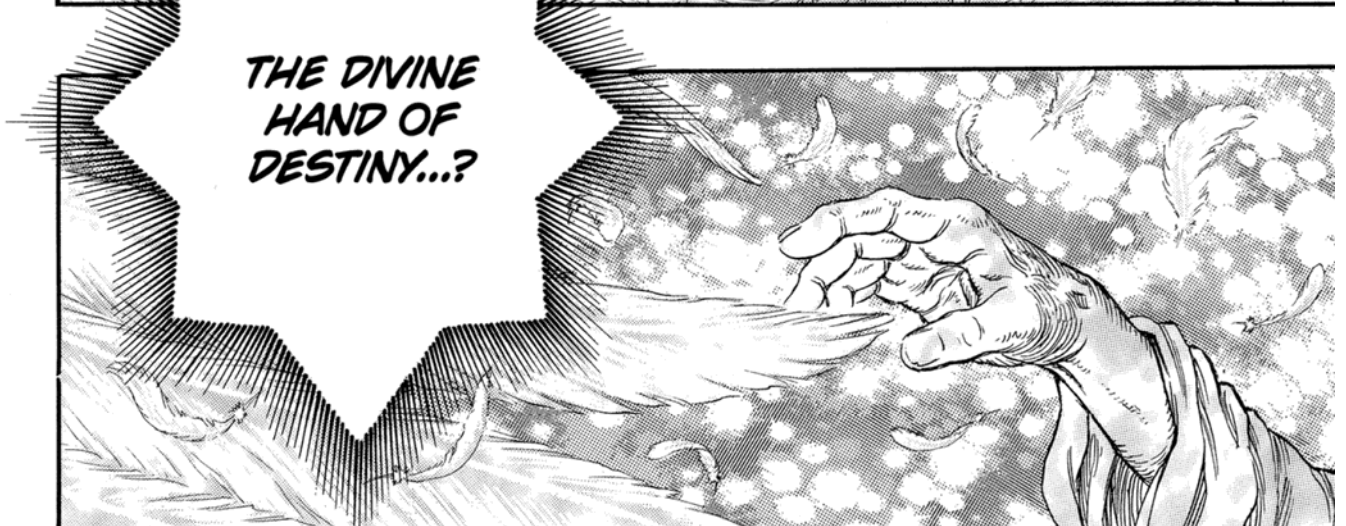


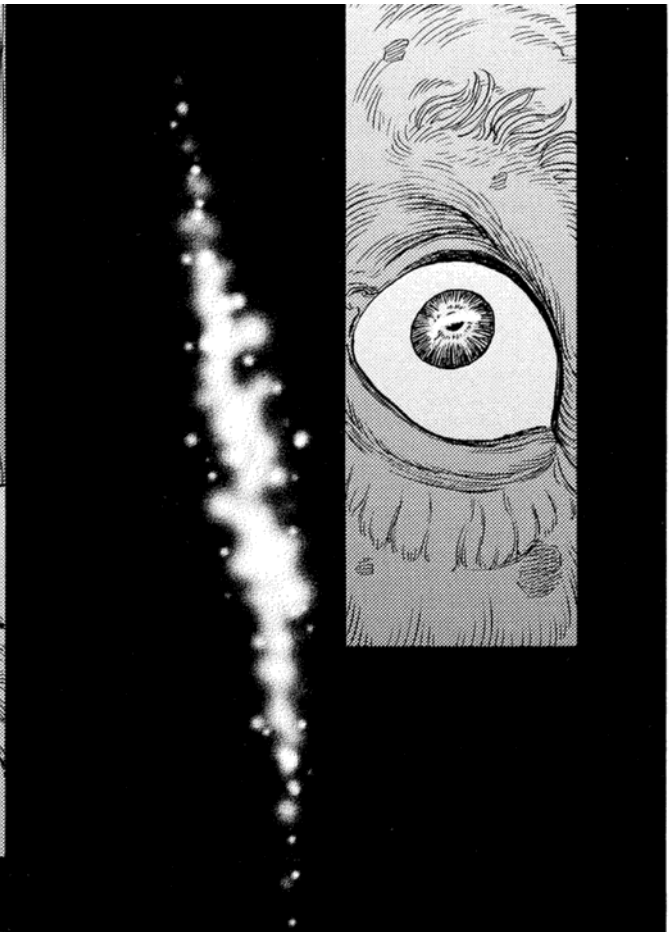


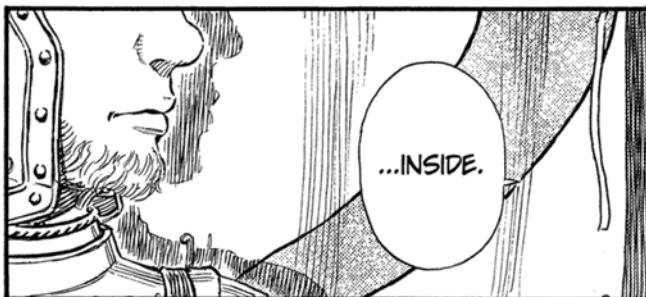
**A
DREAM
...?!**

**OR
ELSE...**

**WHAT'S
THIS...?!**



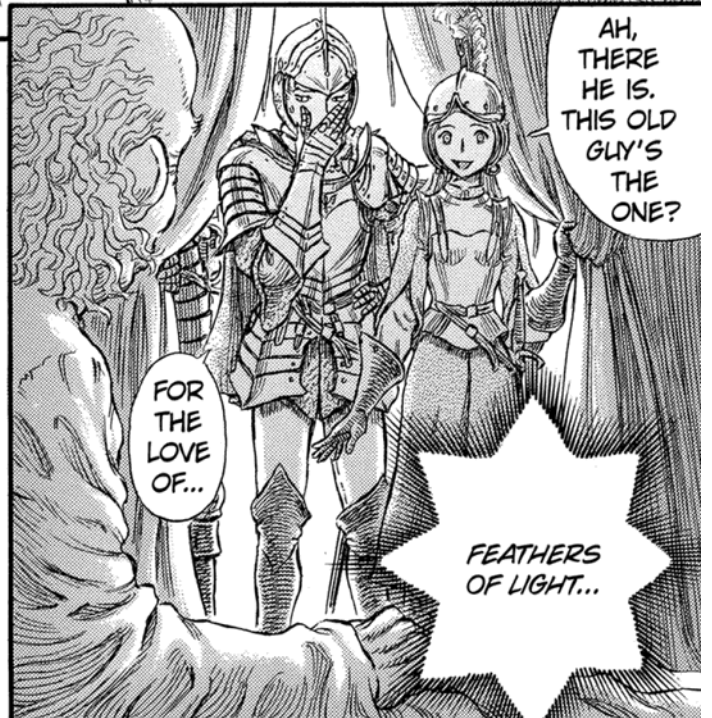








SHOW A
LITTLE
COURTESY.



AH,
THERE
HE IS.
THIS OLD
GLY'S
THE
ONE?

FOR
THE
LOVE
OF...

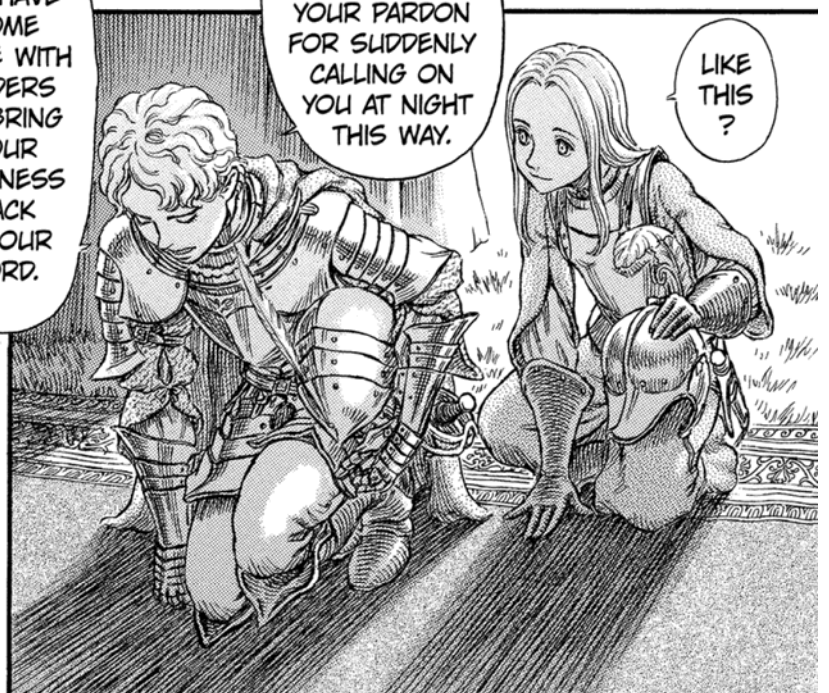
FEATHERS
OF LIGHT...



YOU TWO
AREN'T
MESSENGERS
FROM
VRITANNIS
?

NO,
SIR.

WE HAVE
COME
HERE WITH
ORDERS
TO BRING
YOUR
HOLINESS
BACK TO
OUR
LORD.



WE HUMBLY BEG
YOUR PARDON
FOR SUDDENLY
CALLING ON
YOU AT NIGHT
THIS WAY.

LIKE
THIS
?

...AND YOU
THINK WE
CAN SIMPLY
ACCEPT THE
WORD OF
SUCH
CHILDREN
AS THE
TRUTH?!

YOU'RE A
MESSENGER
FROM WE
KNOW NOT
WHOM...

ARGGH!
ENOUGH OF
THIS!

I'M
DEFINITELY
OF THE
SAME
OPINION...

HE MUST
ADMINISTER IMPOR-
TANT SACRED RITES
AT THE DEPLOY-
MENT CEREMONY
FOR THE HOLY SEE
ALLIANCE FORCES.

HIS
HOLINESS
THE PONTIFF
WILL
PROCEED
FROM
HERE TO
VRITANNIS!

WHAT IS HE
THINKING
WITH THIS?

LORD
GRIFFITH...

IS THIS
REALLY
GOING
TO WORK
...?

IT'S GOING
TO WORK,
DON'T YOU
WORRY,
THIS'S ME
TALKING.

NAY.

GUARDS,
THROW
THEM
OUT.

WHOOPS?

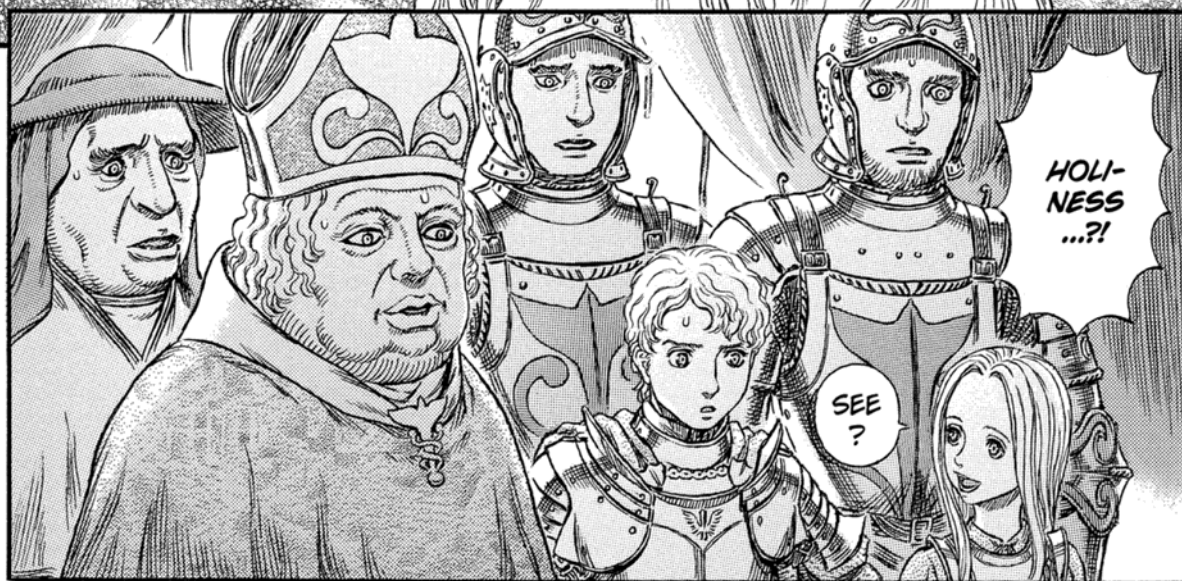
FI-
GURES

ひょい
*HEFT



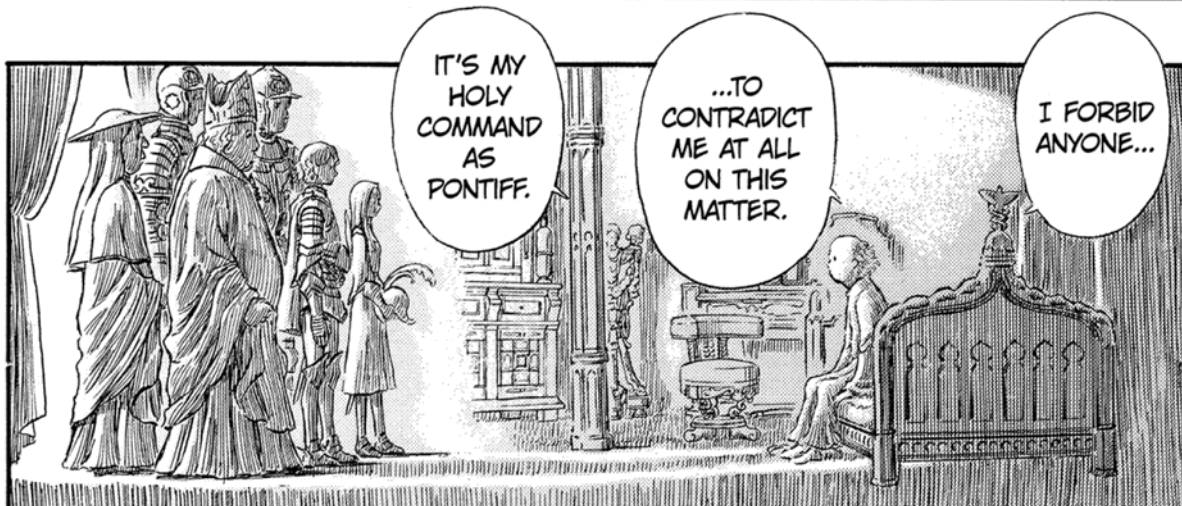
...LET'S
DEPART
IMMEDIATELY.

AS
THEY HAVE
SAID...



HOLI-
NESS
...?!

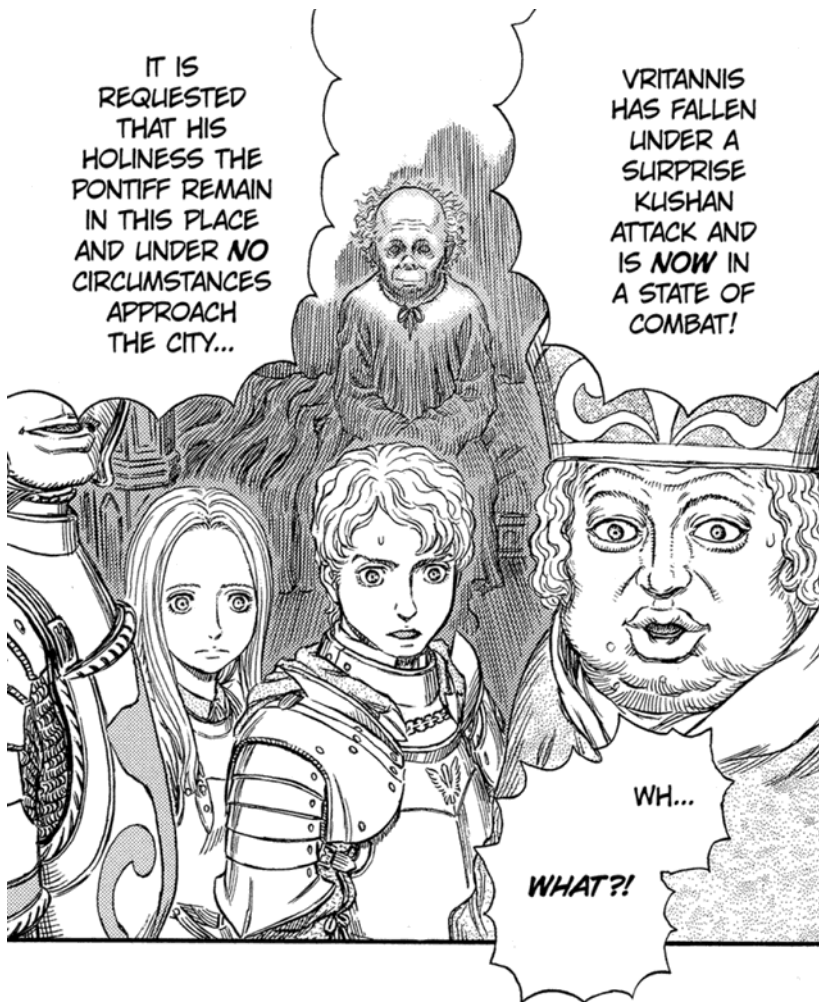
SEE
?



IT'S MY
HOLY
COMMAND
AS PONTIFF.

...TO
CONTRADICT
ME AT ALL
ON THIS
MATTER.

I FORBID
ANYONE...



IT IS REQUESTED THAT HIS HOLINESS THE PONTIFF REMAIN IN THIS PLACE AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES APPROACH THE CITY...

VRITANNIS HAS FALLEN UNDER A SURPRISE KUSHAN ATTACK AND IS NOW IN A STATE OF COMBAT!

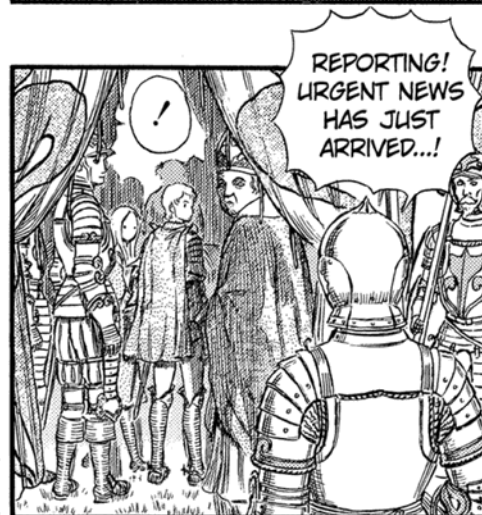
WH...

WHAT?!



WHAT IN THE WORLD HAS COME OVER YOU?

HOLI-NESS ...



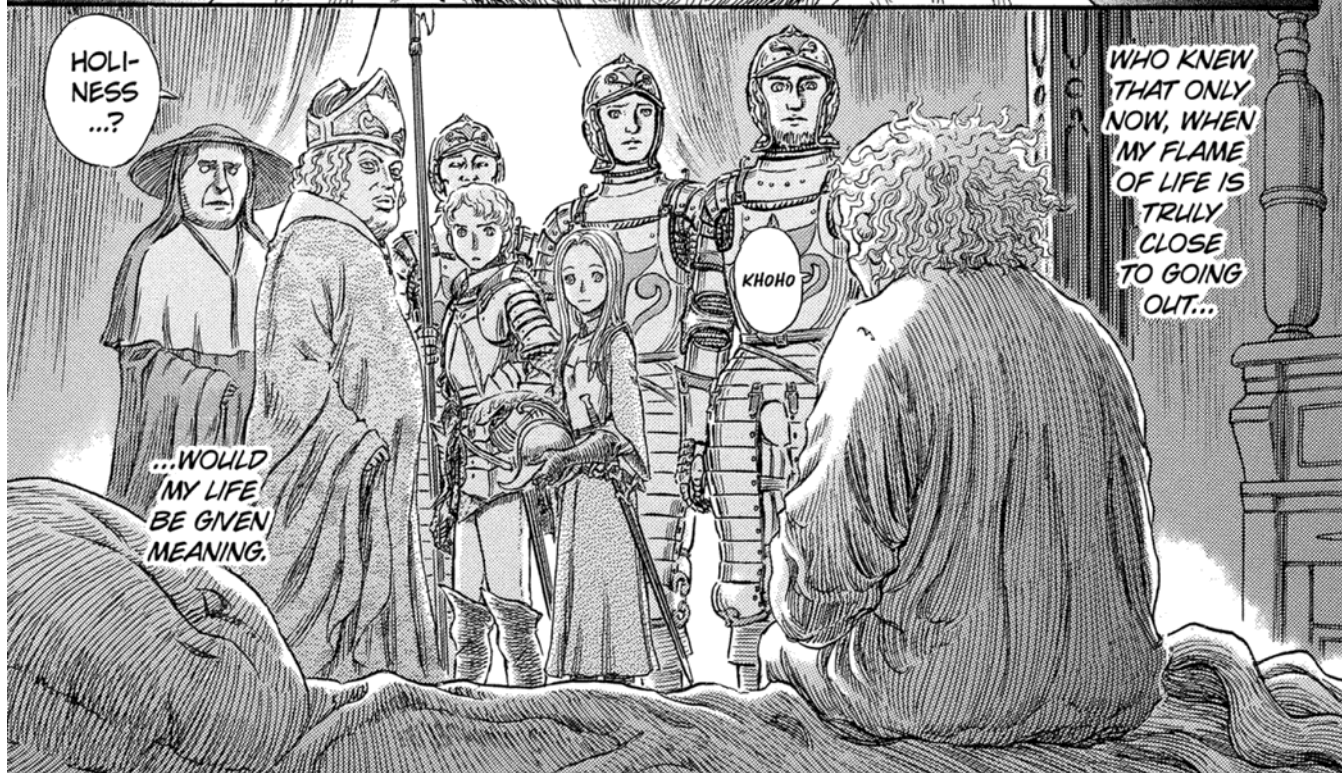
REPORTING! URGENT NEWS HAS JUST ARRIVED...!



IT'S LIKE THEY'RE POINTING OUT THE PATH OF DESTINY.

INTERESTING...

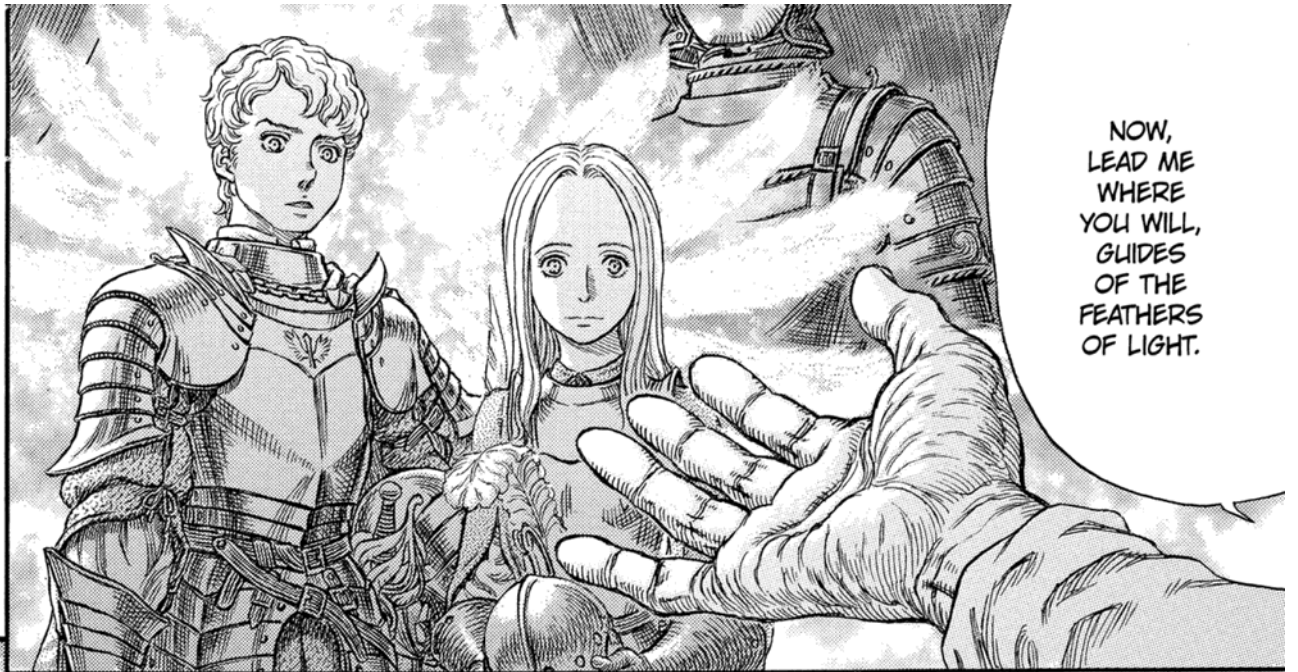
THE HOLY SIGNS ARE COMING TOGETHER.



HOLI-NESS ...?

...WOULD MY LIFE BE GIVEN MEANING.

WHO KNEW THAT ONLY NOW, WHEN MY FLAME OF LIFE IS TRULY CLOSE TO GOING OUT...



NOW,
LEAD ME
WHERE
YOU WILL,
GUIDES
OF THE
FEATHERS
OF LIGHT.



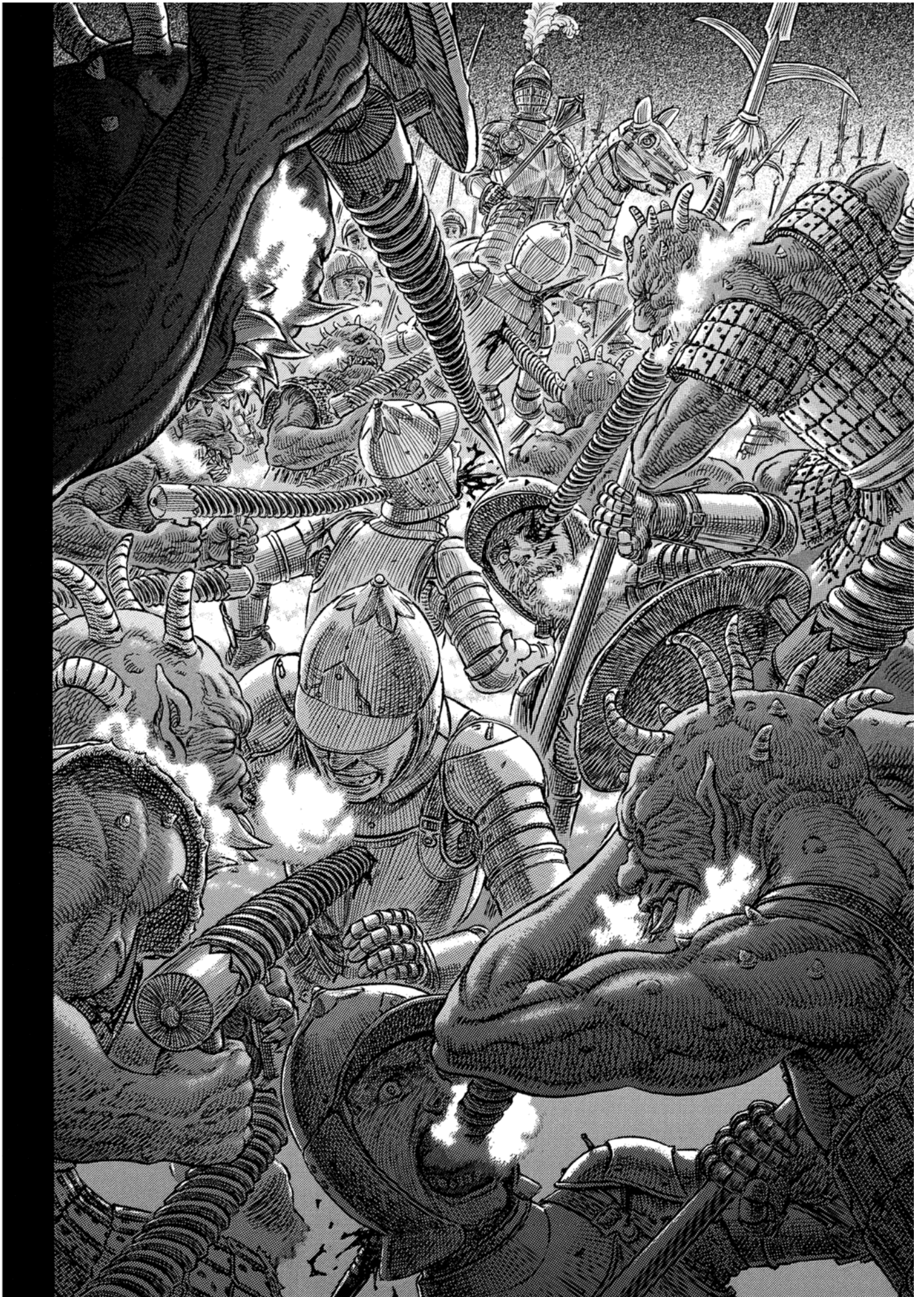
THERE'S
BEEN A
DIVINE
REVELATION.

BERSERK

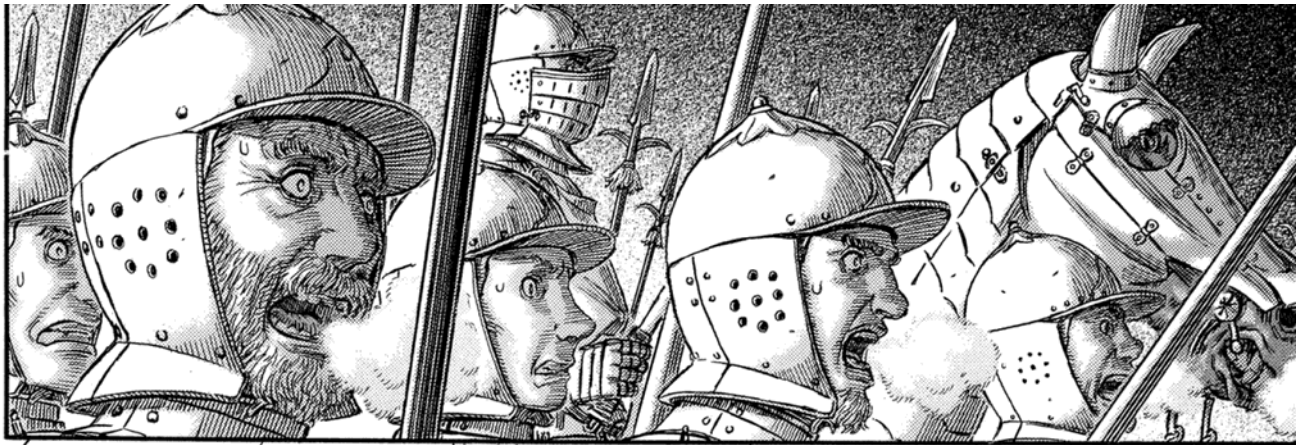
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BERSERK









THIS IS NOTHIN' COMPARED TO WHEN I WAS FIGHTIN' SERPICO.

GUTS, BE CAREFUL. IF YOU AREN'T, THE ARMOR'S POWER WILL...

HE KILLED THOSE MONSTERS IN ONE STROKE...!!

WH-WHO IS THAT MAN...?!

EH?

HEY, YOU SURE ABOUT THIS? THAT GUTS SWORDSMAN IS ONE THING, BUT THOSE TWO...

YEAHHH! I THINK WE'LL JUMP IN, TOO!

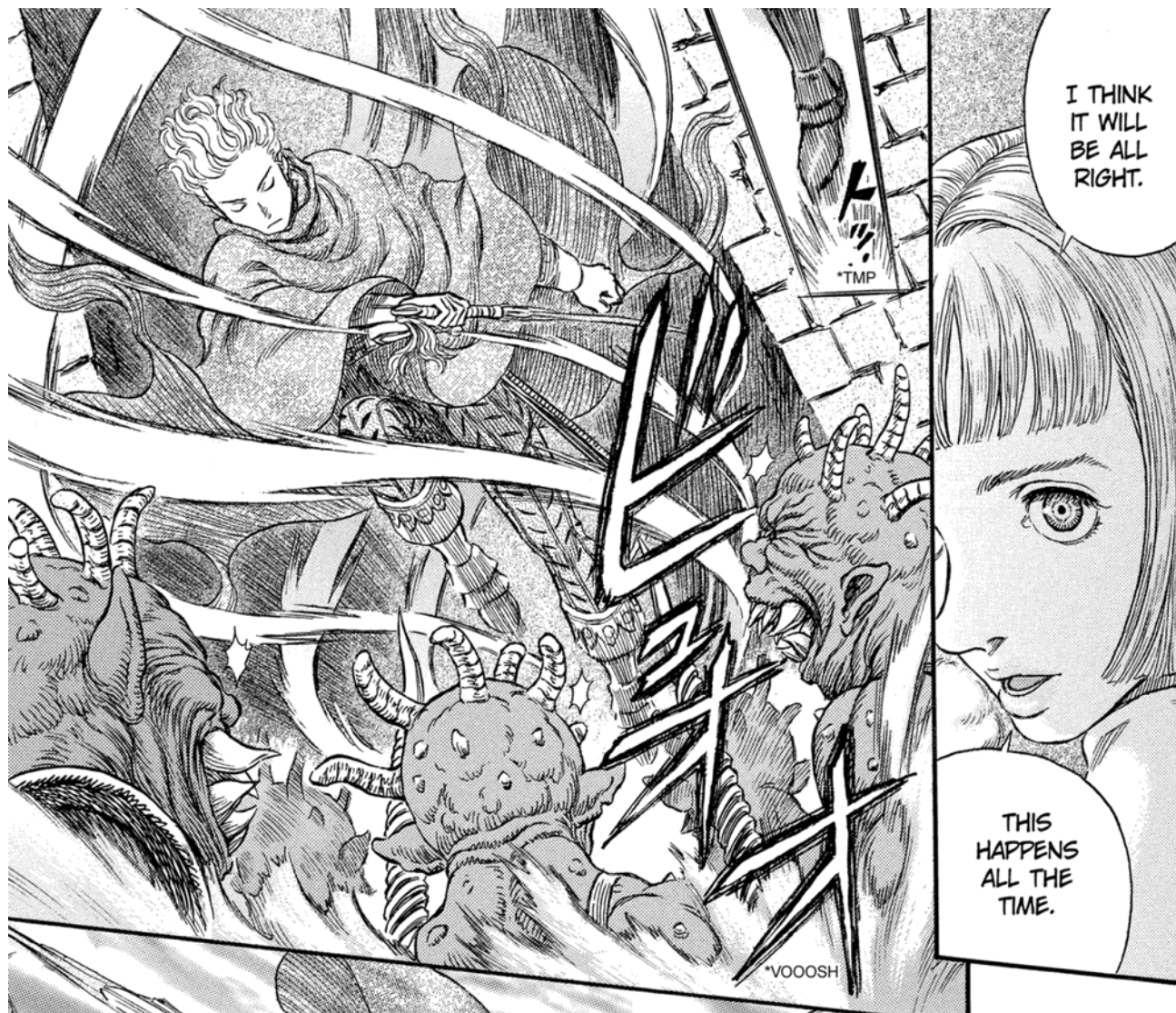
AND ONE'S A KID.

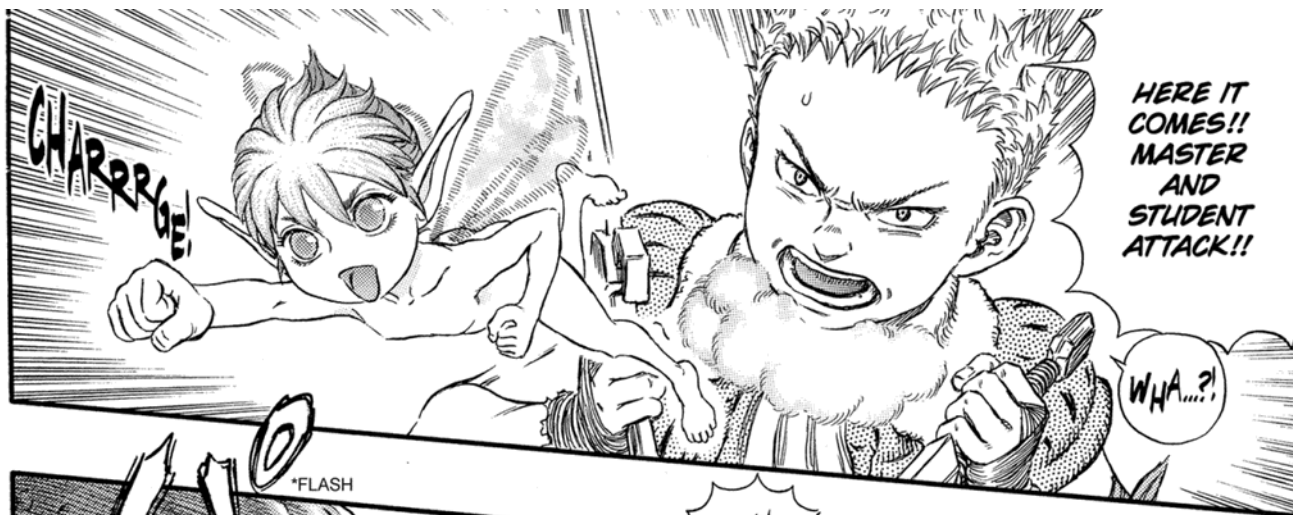
WITH CAUTION.

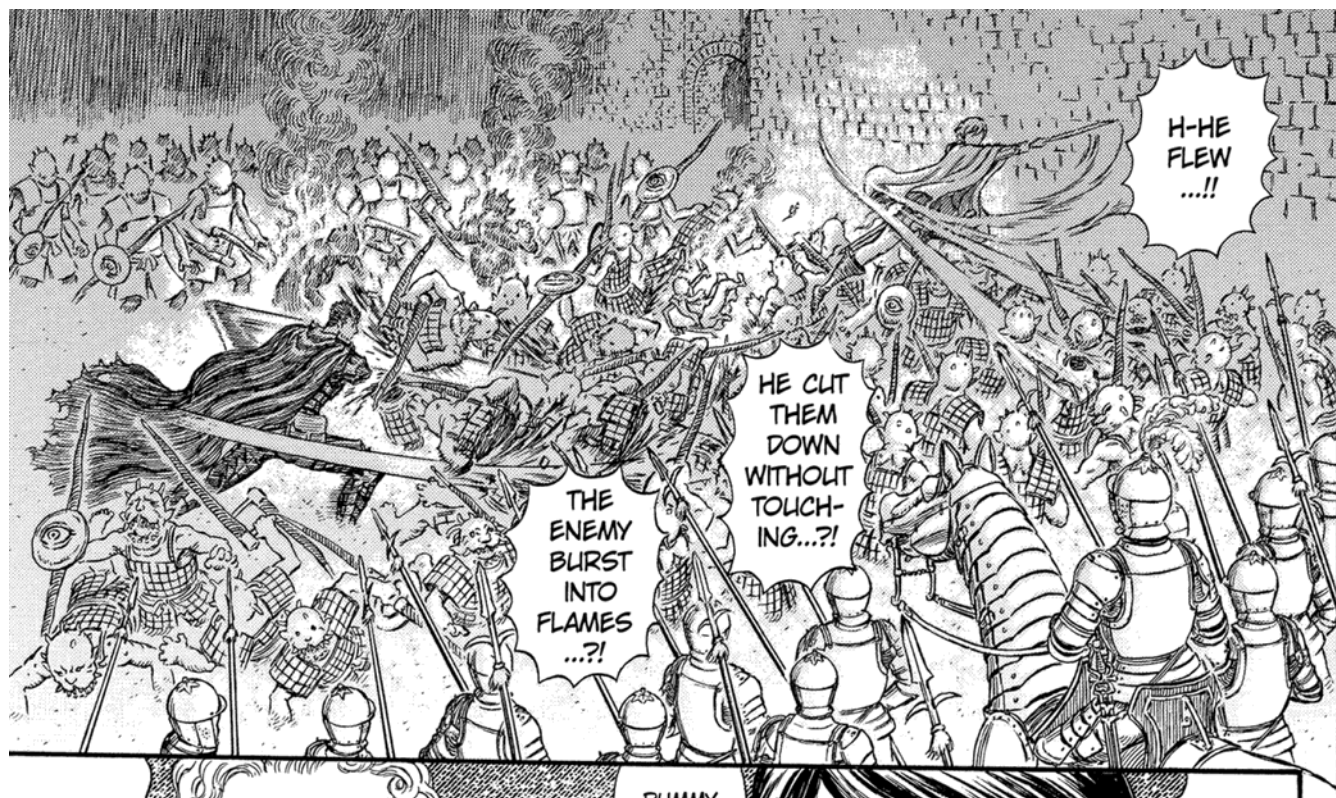
*DOOSH

*BLACH

*GLCH







H-HE
FLEW
...!!

HE CUT
THEM
DOWN
WITHOUT
TOUCH-
ING...?!

THE
ENEMY
BURST
INTO
FLAMES
...?!



MAGIC
...?

DUMMY.
IT'S MAGIC,
OF
COURSE.

WHAT
THE
...?!



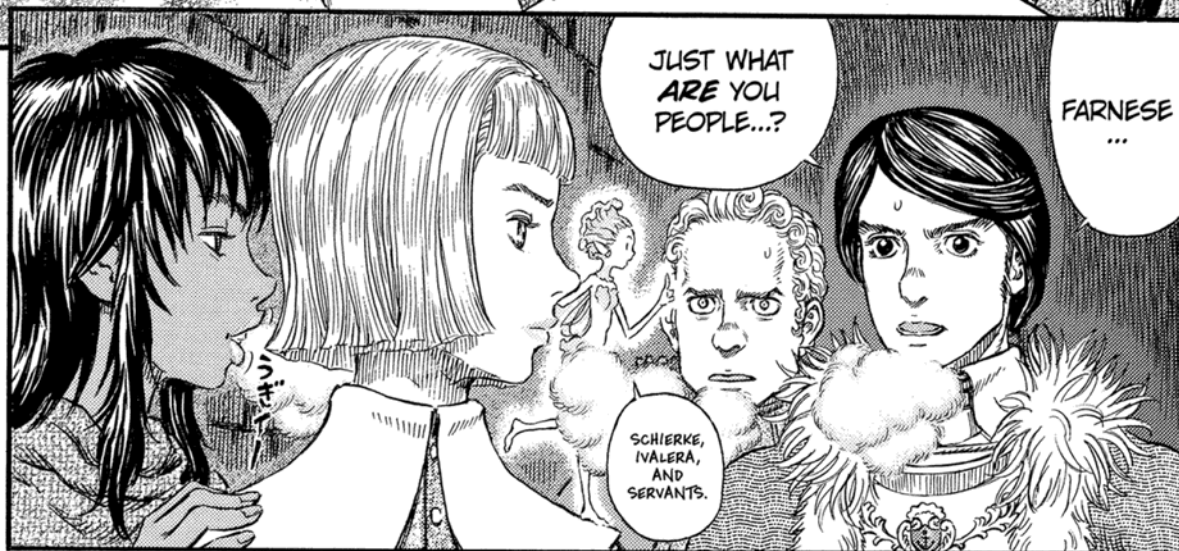
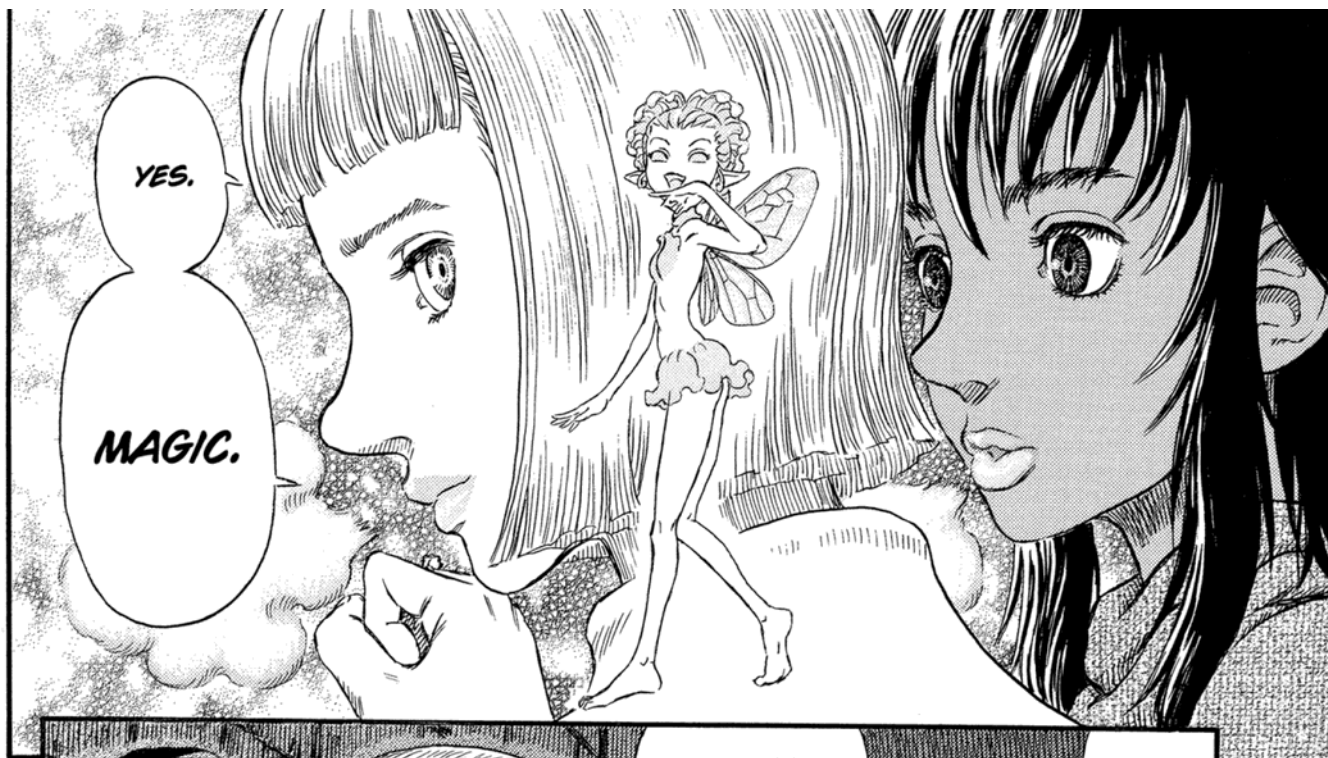
*VNGYAH

HEY!
USE MY
SNAKES!

THAT'S
RIGHT,
SUFFER.
♡

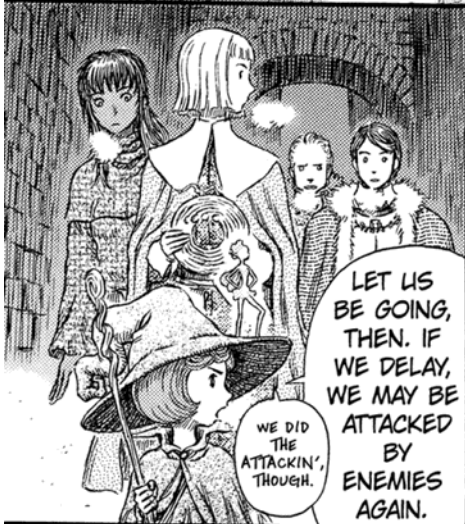
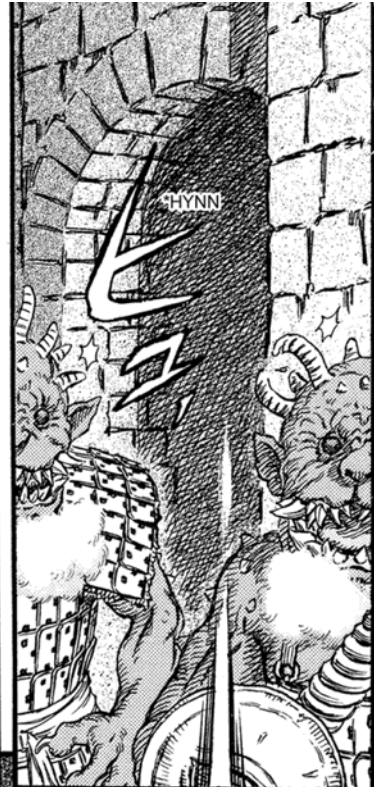
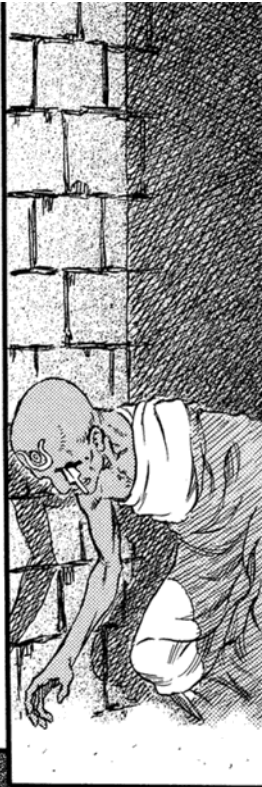
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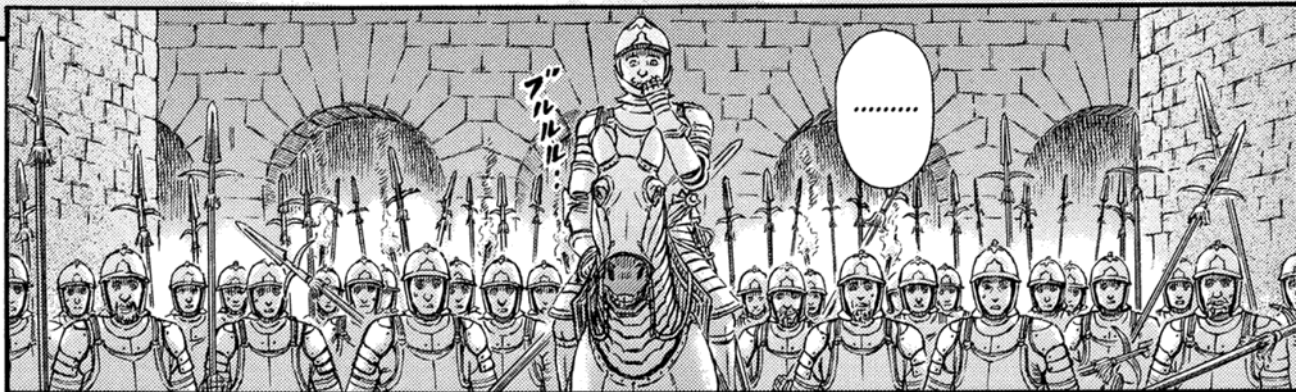
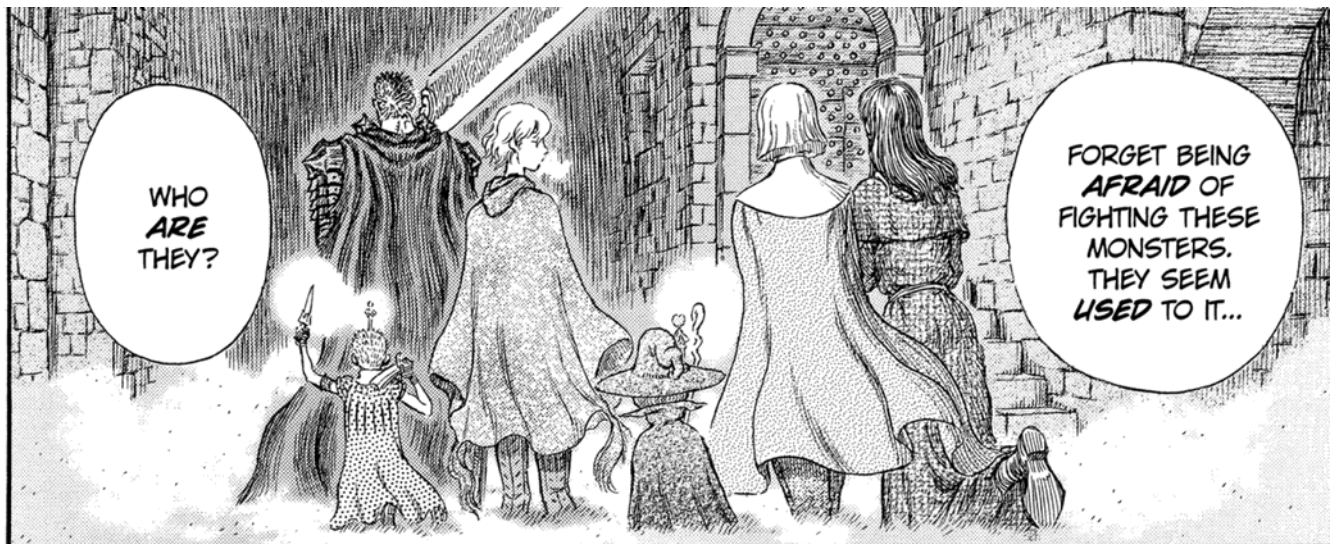
*SHFF



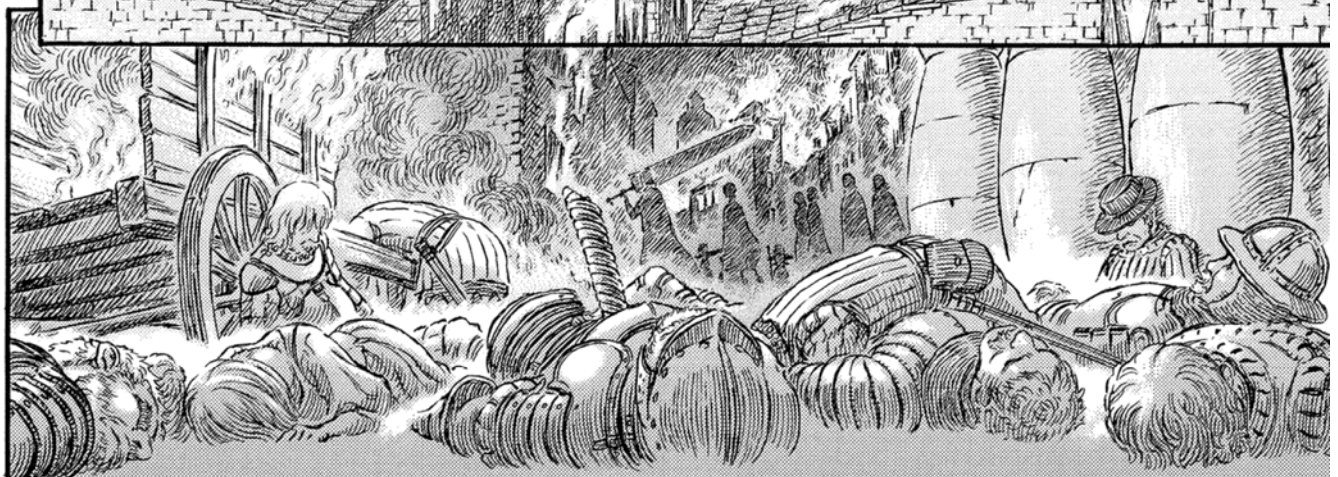
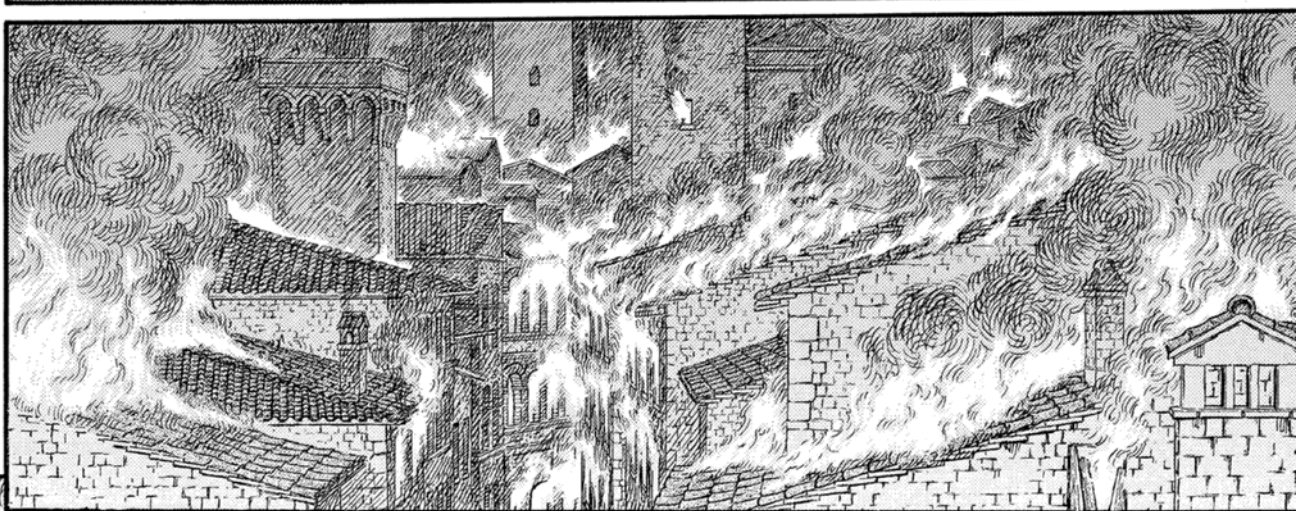
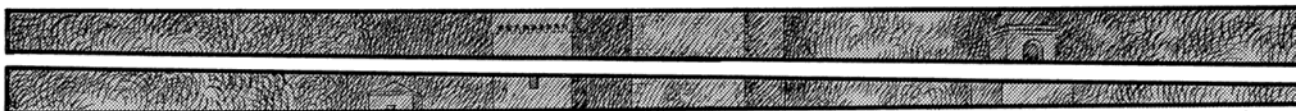
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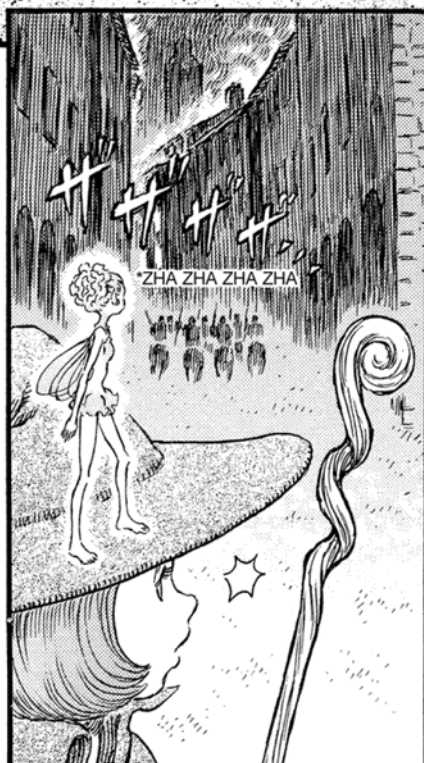


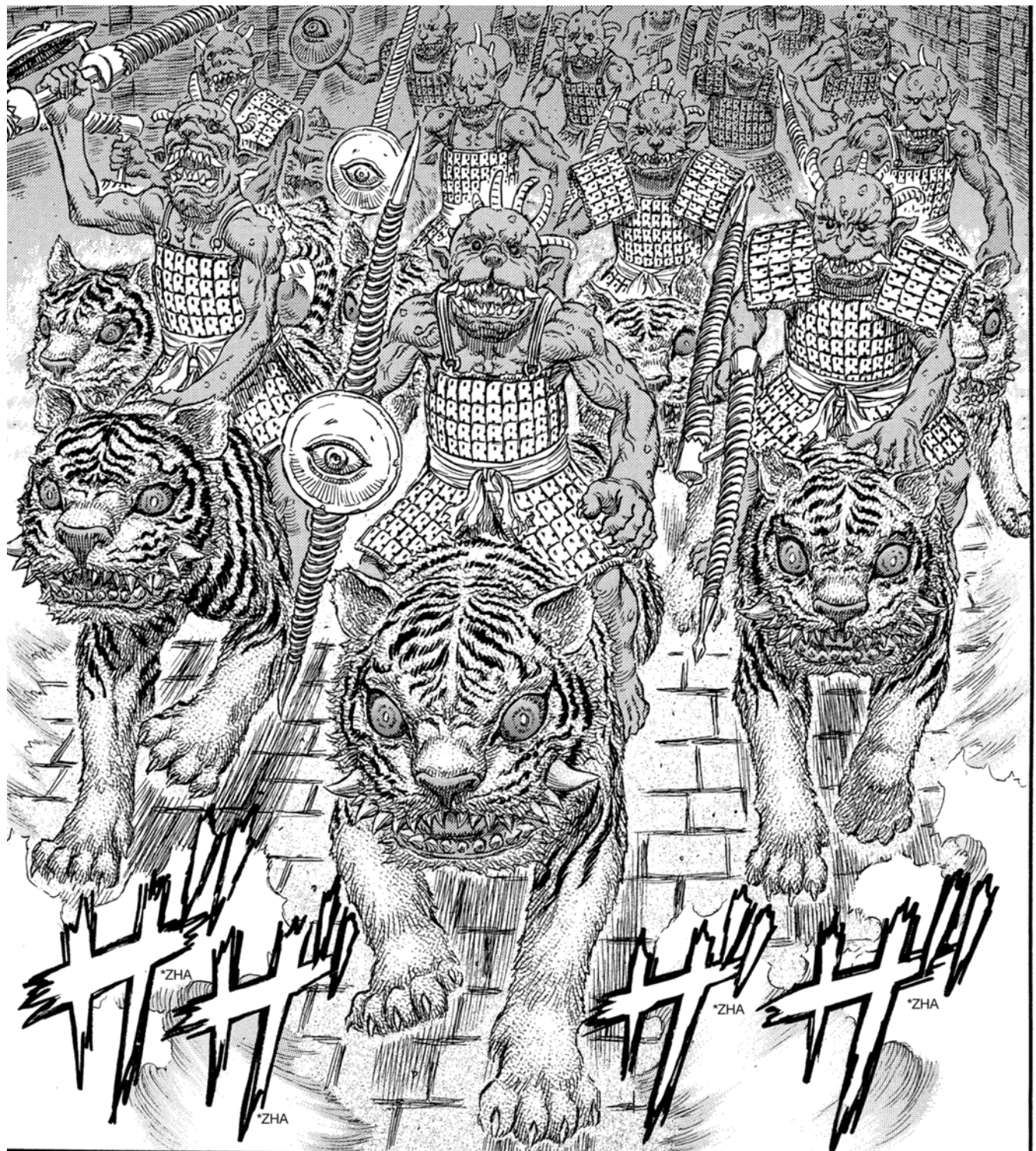
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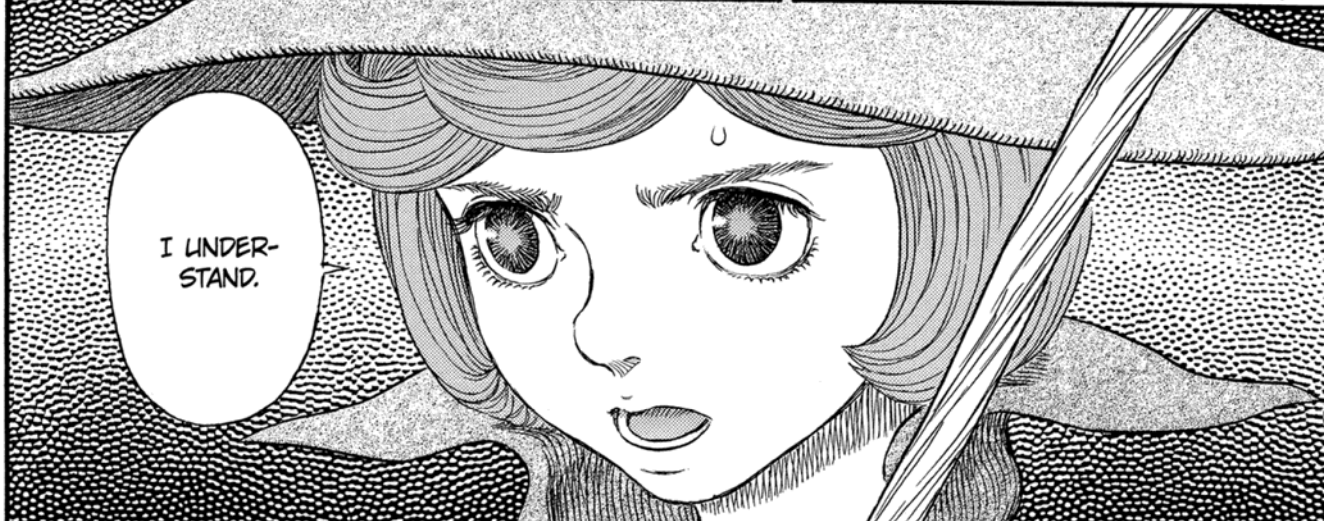
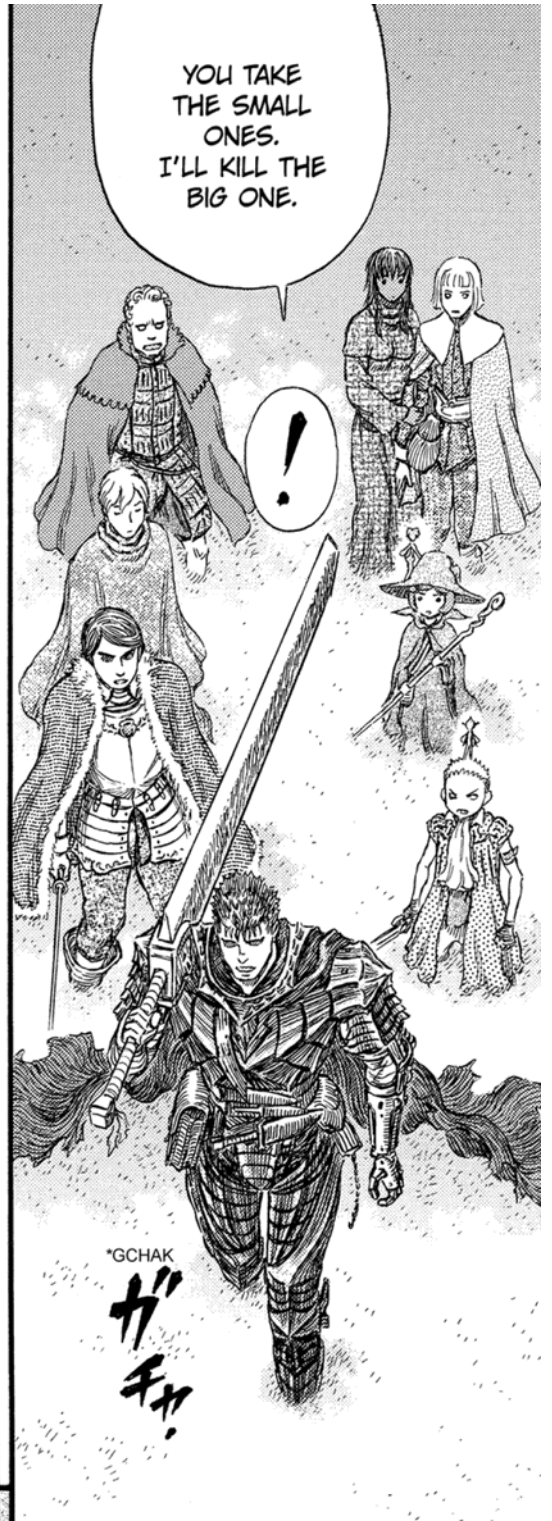














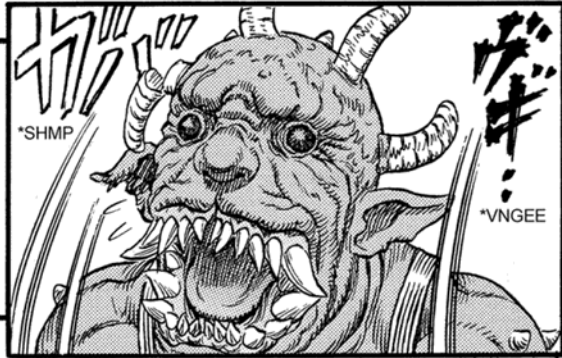
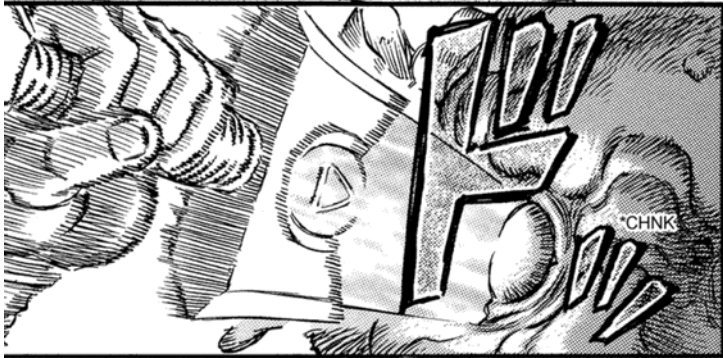
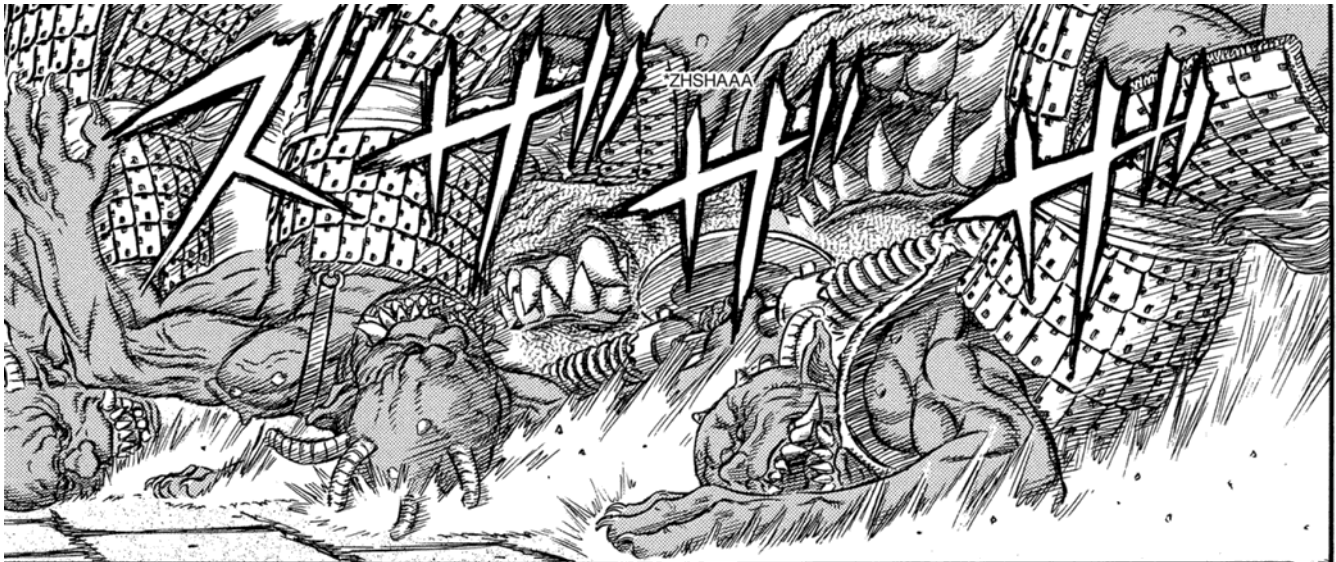
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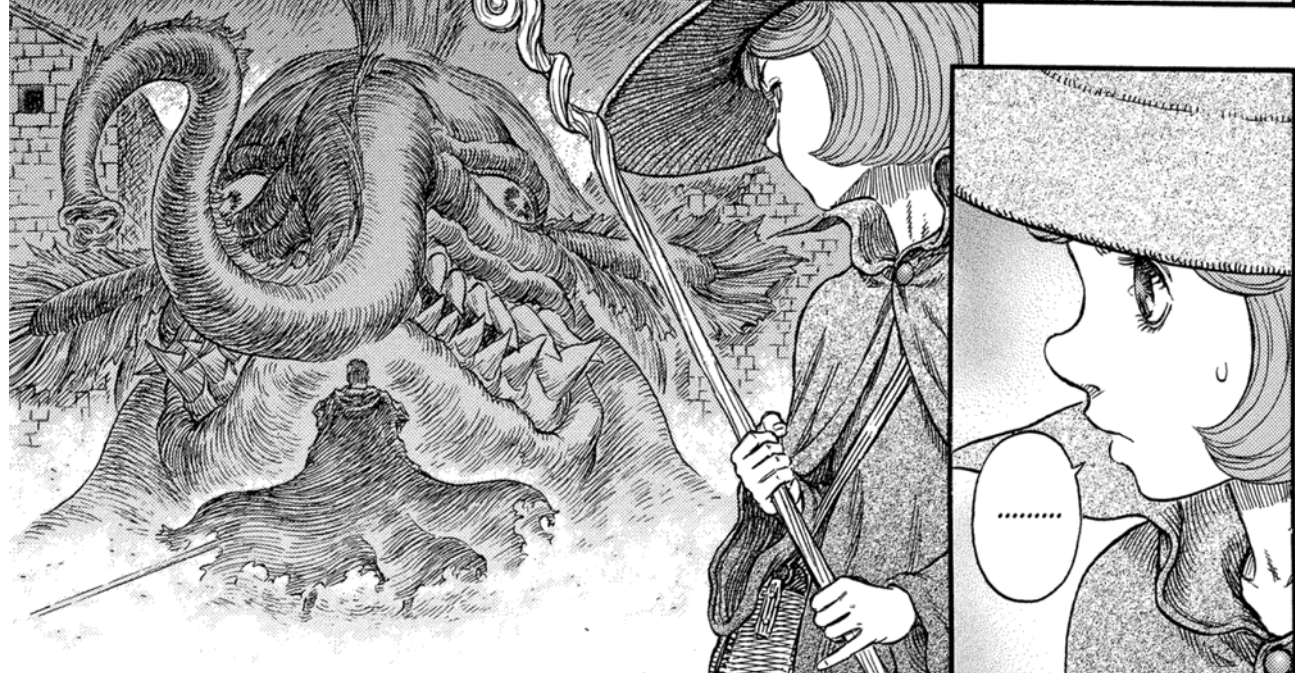
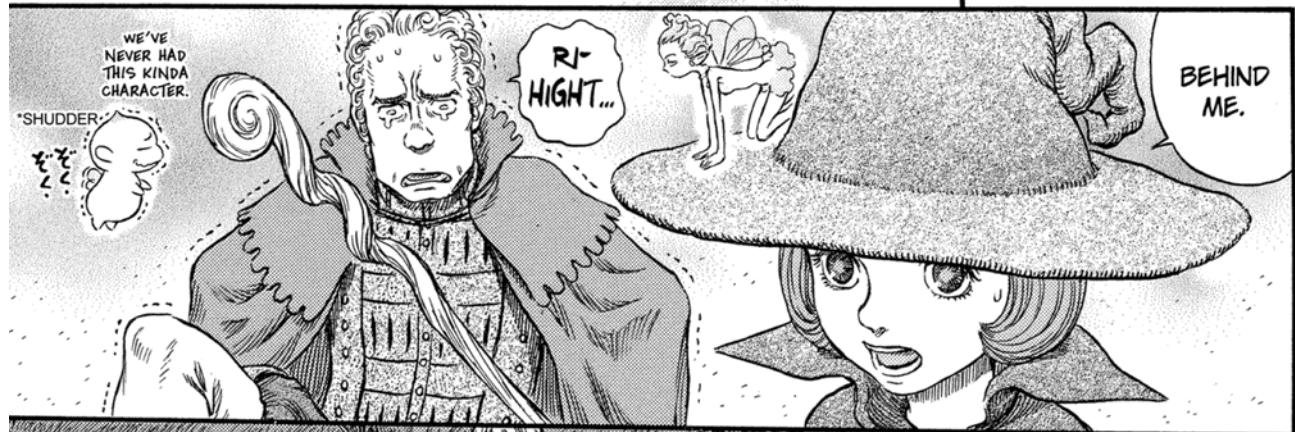
BERSERK

















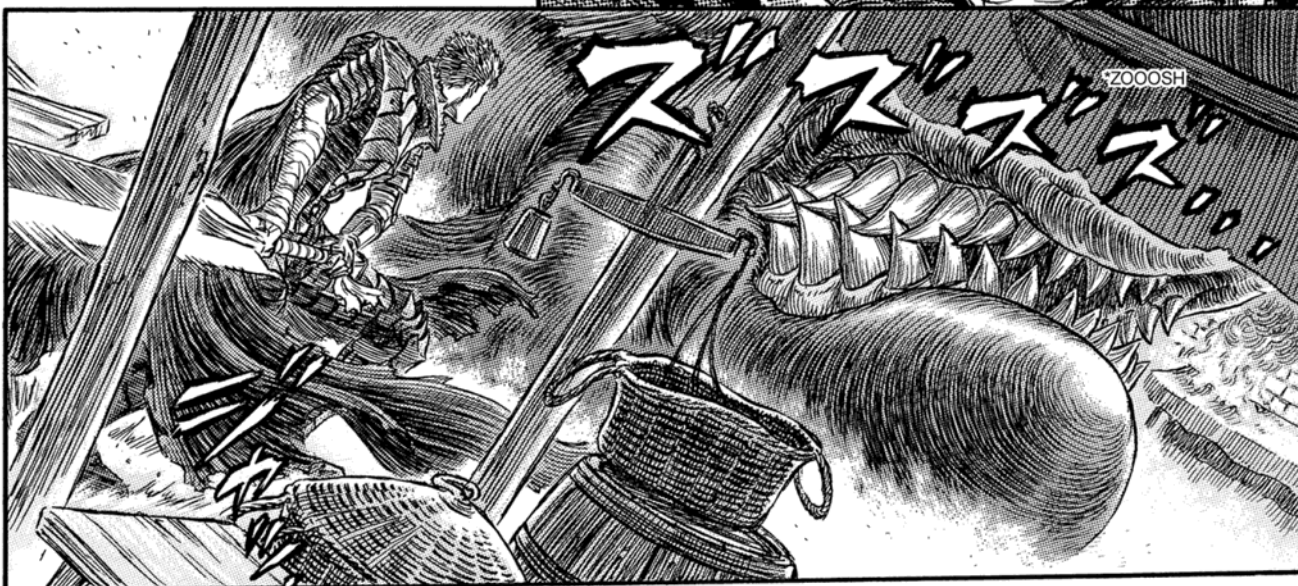
EVEN IF
I GOT IN
CLOSE AND
CALLED ON
THIS...

THIS THING'S
OUTRAGEOUSLY
TOUGH AND
DENSE!

THOUGHT
SO!



*WHPAMM

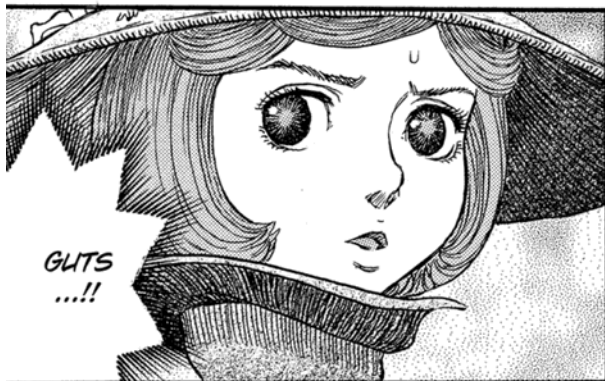
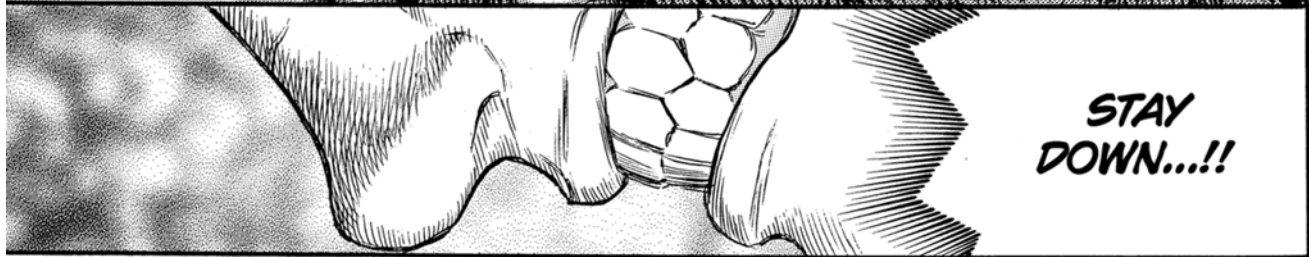


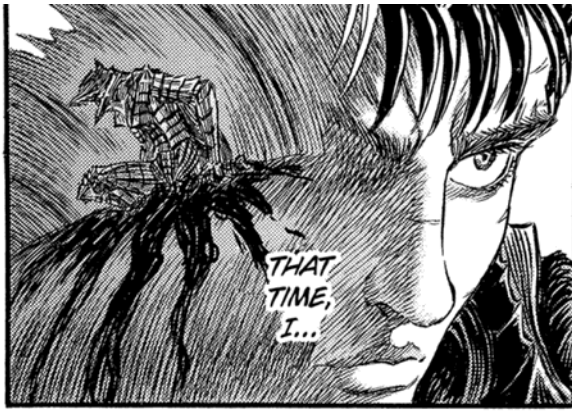
*ZOOOSH

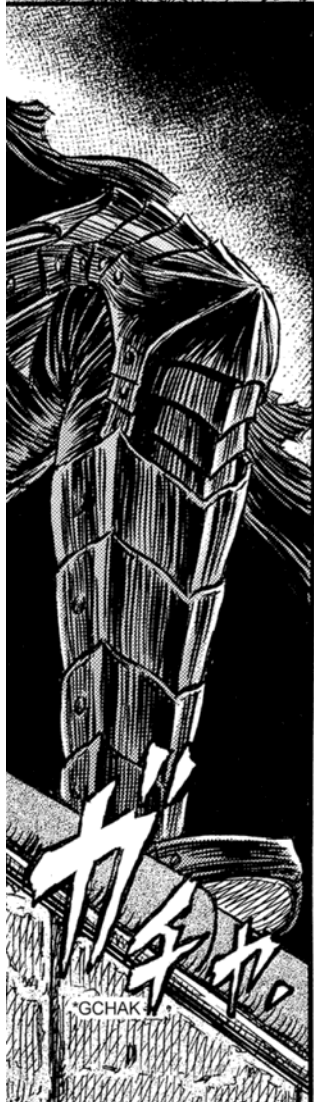
*CHAK

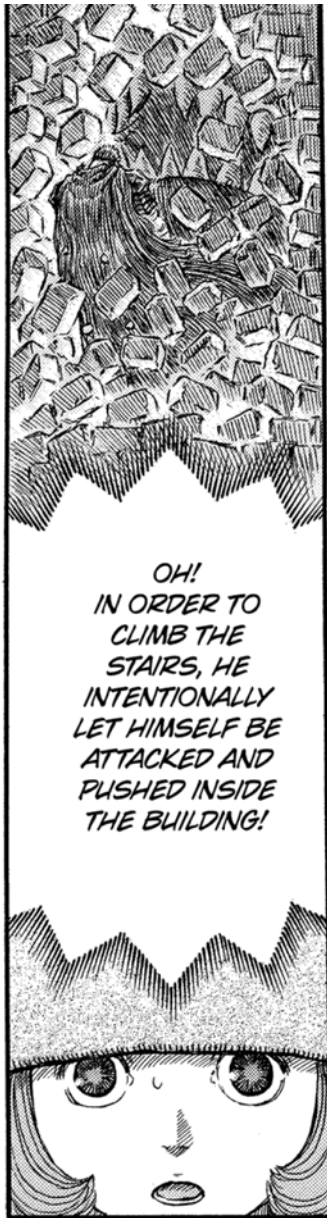


TCH!







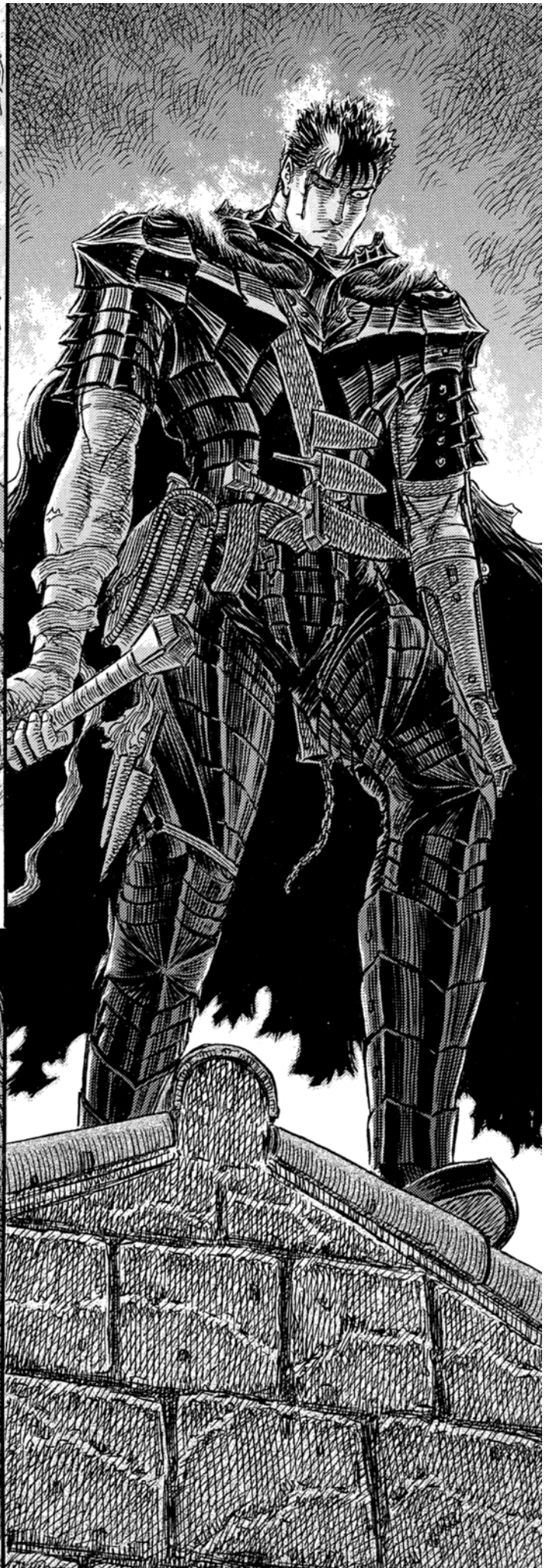


OH!
IN ORDER TO
CLIMB THE
STAIRS, HE
INTENTIONALLY
LET HIMSELF BE
ATTACKED AND
PUSHED INSIDE
THE BUILDING!



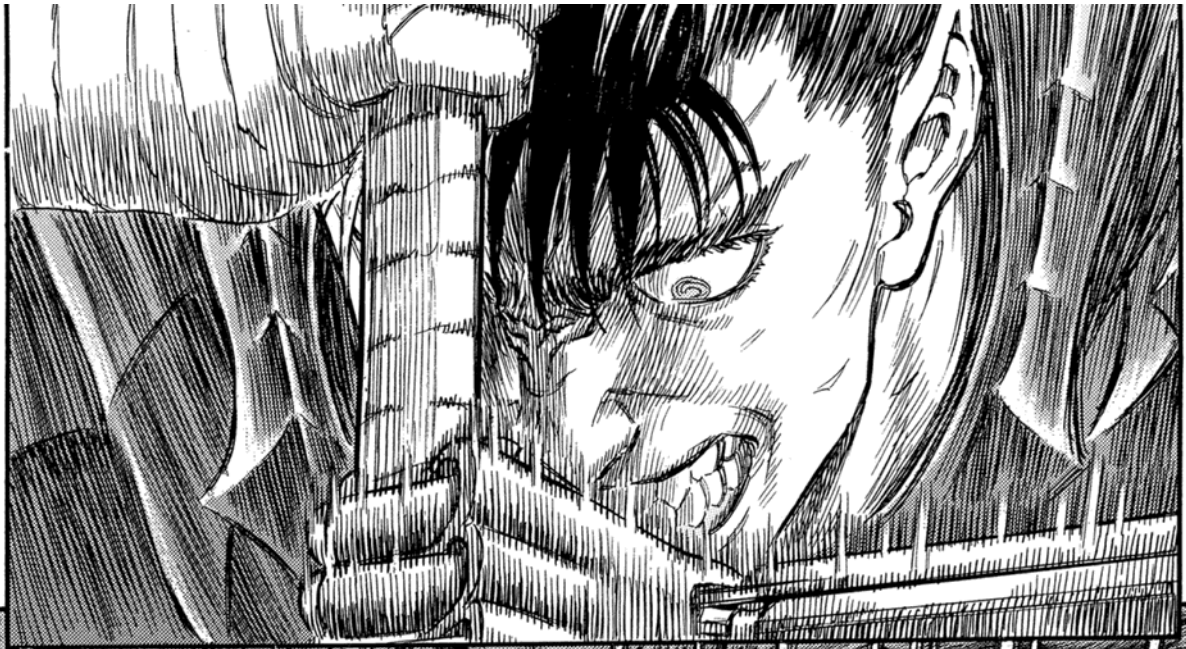
GLITS
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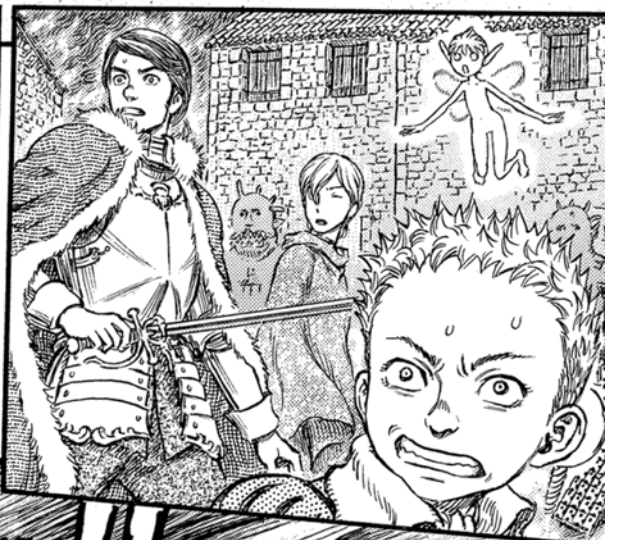
WH-
WHEN
DID
HE...?!



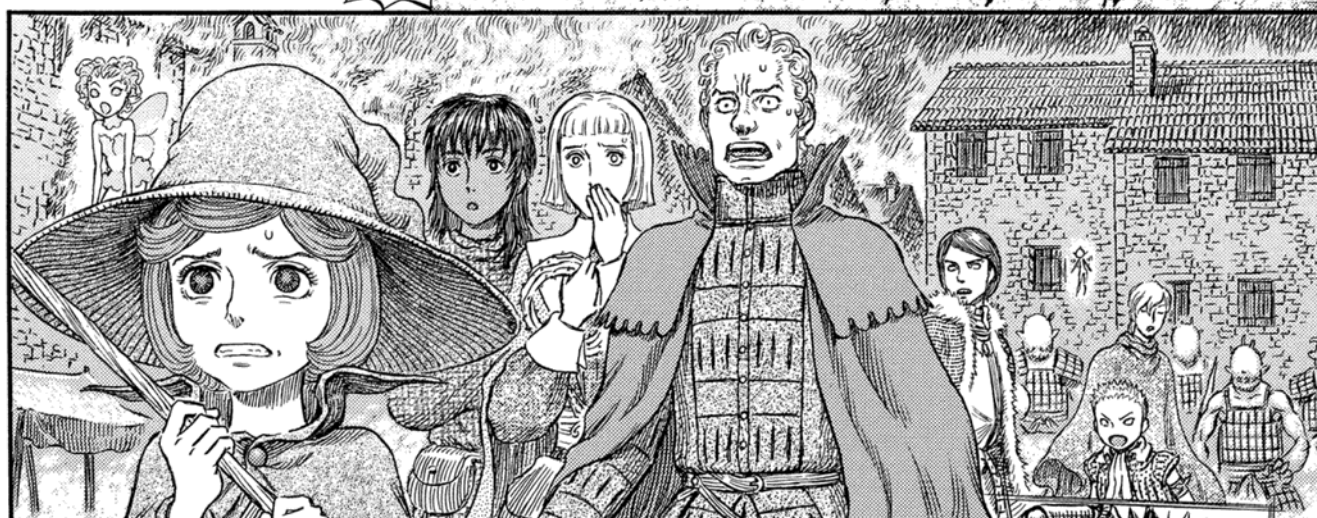
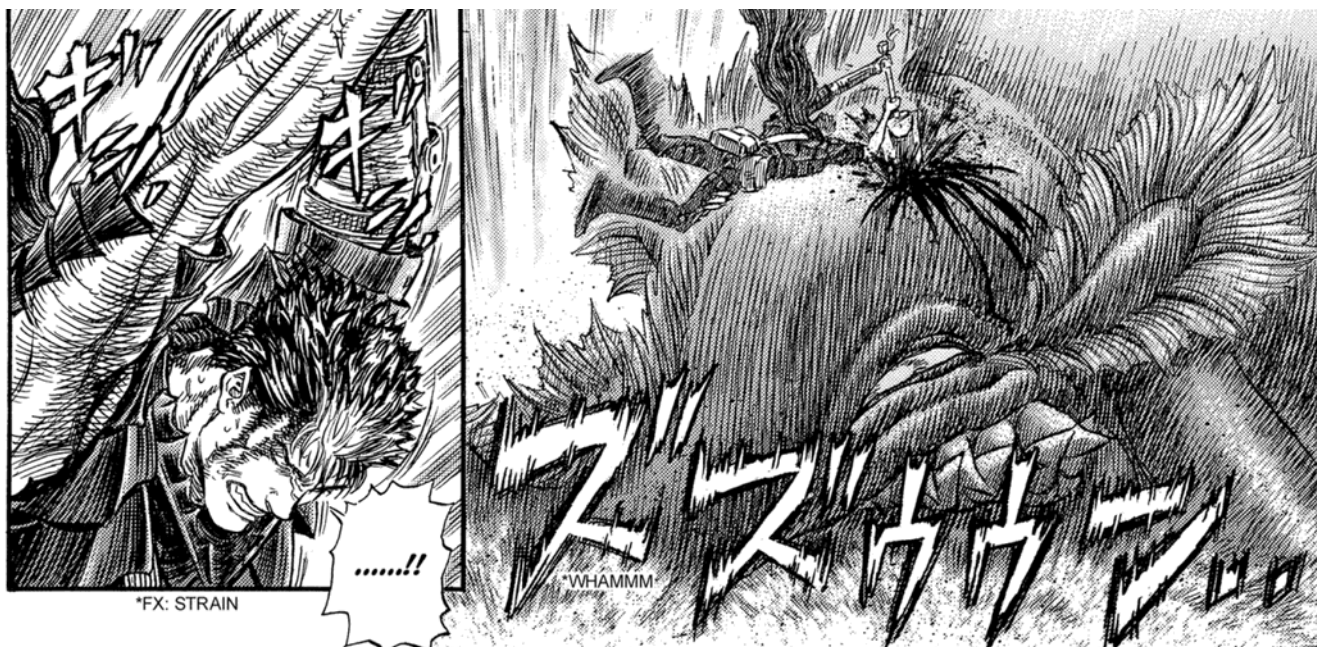
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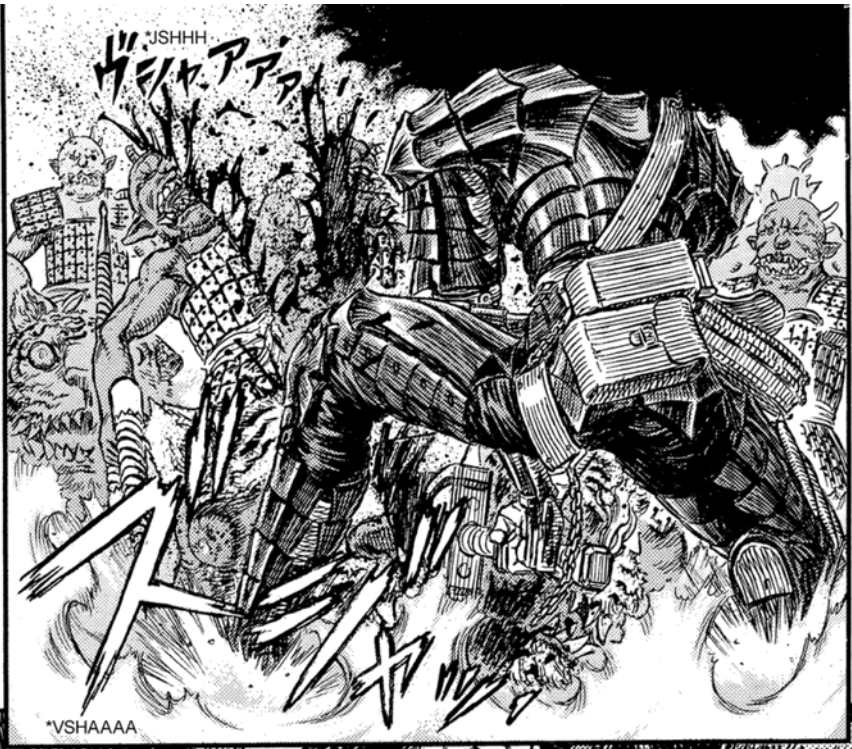


*WHOMP

*ZHNK

*GACHIK

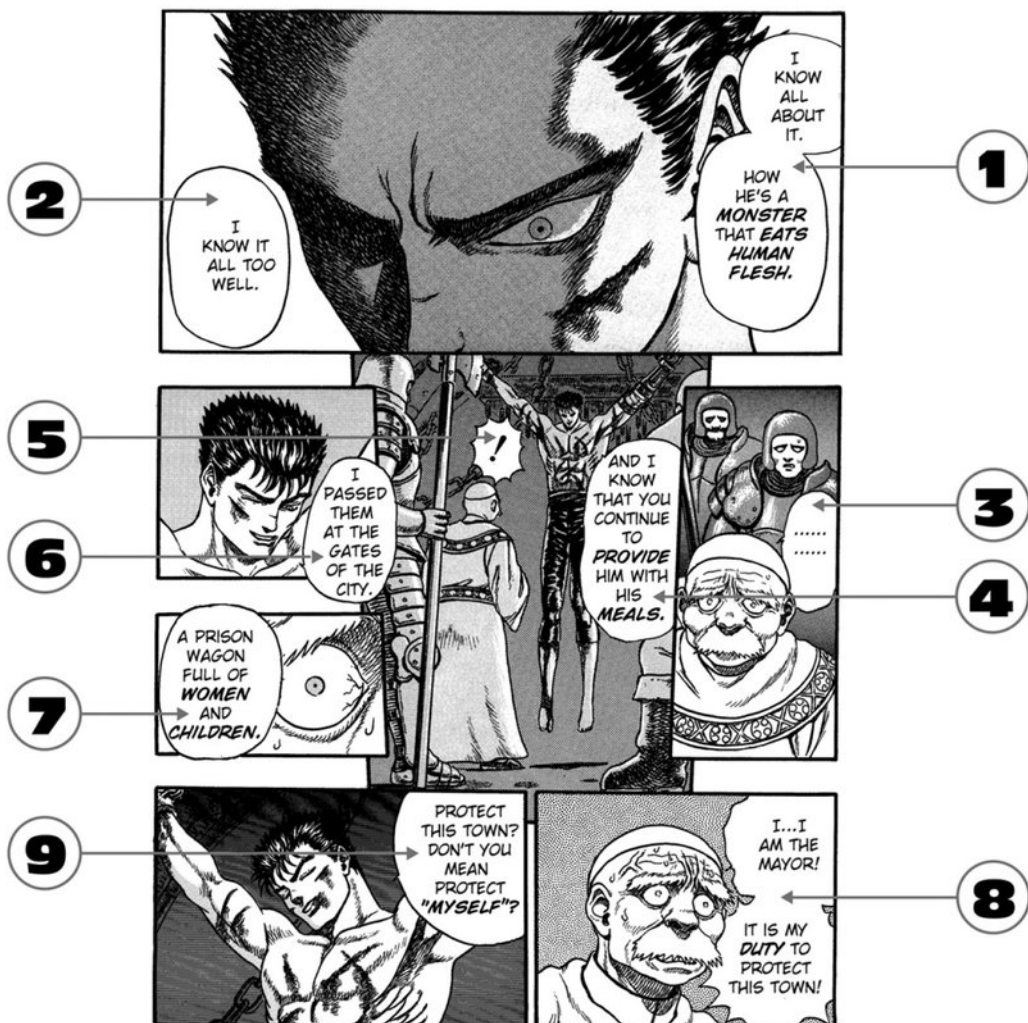




! STOP

This is the back of the book!

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BERSERK

**KENTARO
MIURA**

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三浦建太郎

Thanks to Lady Farnese's selfless sacrifice, Guts the Black Swordsman and the rest of his companions are free to carry on their journey aboard the ship of Farnese's brother's friend Roderick—that is, if they're willing to leave Farnese behind. But having to choose between their mission and their loyalties might not be a problem for long if the Kushan emperor and his legion of monstrous minions have their way. With a host of Kushan forces descending on Vritannis, there might not be much left of Farnese's family—or any of the citizenry—to worry about!

Created by Kentaro Miura, *Berserk* is a point-blank manga broadside, a relentless barrage of action, horror, and humor that asks no quarter and gives none. Damn the torpedoes!

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